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BOMB THREAT FOR WUCHOW FROM THE AIR

BRITISH WOMEN AND CHILDREN TO LEAVE

CANTON OPTIMISTIC

The Cantonese military authorities threaten to bomb Wuchow wireless station by aircraft. British women and children have been advised to leave for Hong Kong. Extensive operations are expected during the forthcoming week. The Cantonese military authorities expect to take Wuchow.

A KWANGSI MANIFESTO.

Curious Document From Office In Hong Kong

The "China Mail" has received from the Trade Office of the Bureau of Construction of Kwangsi, Bank of Canton Building, Hong Kong, a very lengthy typewritten document headed "A Statement by Li Tsung-jen and Group (Contributed). It purports to have been signed by Li Tsung-jen, Tsao Shi-cheng, Tang Shi-hou, Tien Soong-yao, Lai Sing-hay, Yang Sen, Hu Yu-to, Lo Tse-chow, Li Chia-yu, and Chen Tin-hsin. Underneath is the information: "Translated freely from Chinese copy)."

The document may be genuine throughout, even including the typewritten names of the signatories, but there is no covering letter signed in ink in the regular manner by Li Tsung-jen or any others of the group mentioned. Apart from the breach in the observance of the usual formalities the document itself is unfortunately of such a nature as to preclude its publication in our columns by reason of the libellous and defamatory statements with which it teems. The "China Mail" is as ready always to afford space for the propaganda of either the Kwangsi or the Kwangtung parties in the present unhappy conflict, but it must naturally be couched in temperate and reasonable language, irrespective of the objective of the authors in seeking publication thereof.

MARTIAL LAW

Ship Fired On By Shore Guards

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
Kongmoon, Yesterday.
The situation here is normal. Martial law after dark has been enforced, however, since the mutiny of the Canton navy. Aeroplanes are often seen hovering over the city, coming from and going to Canton.

Criminals are daily being brought out for execution in batches of five and ten. The authorities do not think it safe to keep them in prison during the crisis. The a.s. "Sun Tung Woh" was fired upon a few days ago near Kunchuk, whilst on her way down from Canton. She returned fire and was lucky to escape being pirated. When near Pakkai she was again fired upon, but this time by the shore guards. Not being aware that vessels are not allowed to enter port after dark, she replied and it was some time before the true situation was grasped. One dead and two wounded passengers were found on board the vessel on her arrival at the Customs front.

Junks Being Released

Passenger junks which have been commandeered, for carrying troops are gradually being released, and shipping traffic has resumed. General Chu, Tau-shan's troops withdrew into Kongmoon and Pakkai on the day after the Navy's mutiny. Without heavy artillery, however, they were helpless and could not have prevented the Navy from coming in. River gunboats are still to be seen at Ma Ning and Yung Ki. Their attitude is so extraordinary that it is not known if they have surrendered or not. Over twenty of these small craft, including the four "Kongs" have been seen at Ma Ning by passing junks.

HUNAN SUCCESS

Capture of Kweilin and Pinglo

Nanking, To-day
Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has received a telegram from General Ho

CLEVELAND CLINIC DISASTER

GIRL TELEPHONE OPERATOR'S WONDERFUL PLUCK

MORE VICTIMS-SUCCUMB

Cleveland, Yesterday.
The fire is officially attributed to spontaneous combustion among the celluloid X-ray plates in the basement storeroom, due to overheating, as the result of a leaking steam pipe. The building still reeks of poison gas.

A Brave Girl

Outstanding among the many heroic attempts at rescue is the story of a telephone operator named Gladys Gibson, of Scottish ancestry, who remained at the switchboard sending out warnings to every part of the clinic, summoning Police, firemen and ambulances. She collapsed and died as she was being carried out.

125 Deaths

The poison gas, acting on the blood of yesterday night's victims is responsible for the additional deaths hourly. So far 125 have died. The most stringent investigation is proceeding.—Reuter's American Service.

Earlier News

There are now 98 dead in the hospital disaster. Forty others most critically hurt have only a fighting chance of surviving. The doctors are still desperately administering artificial respiration.

Deadly Gases

The deadliness of the gases given off by the burning X-ray films is evidenced in the case of a woman on the first floor. She smashed the window in order to leap into the net spread below, but as she was climbing to the window sill she was enveloped in a mist of noxious vapours, and fell back into the room dead. A doctor, interviewed by Reuter, said that the gases given off were principally carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, ammonia, and bromide.—Reuter.

GREEK SCANDAL

EX-PRESIDENT AND OTHERS ARRESTED

SERIOUS CHARGES

Athens, Yesterday.
Ex-President Pangalos and ex-Ministers Vogiopoulos and General Nider have been arrested on a charge of speculating in foreign exchanges, and with concluding disadvantageous contracts during their administration three years ago.—Reuter.

GERMAN LOAN

300,000,000 MARKS FOR PUBLIC SUBSCRIPTION

TERMS ISSUED

Berlin, Yesterday.
The Minister of Finance announces that at present only 300,000,000 marks of the big loan will be offered for public subscription. It will be issued at 99 with interest at seven per cent. It will not be redeemable for five years, after which ten per cent. of the total will be repaid annually.—Reuter.

The seven-a-side tournament at Murrayfield was won by the Edinburgh Academicals—thanks, largely, to the brilliant generalship of G. P. S. Macpherson. They disposed successively of the Glasgow Academicals, Glasgow High School, Heriot's and Watsonians.

Chien stating that the Hunan troops captured Kweilin yesterday morning while Pinglo has also fallen to the Government army.—Reuter. [The capture of both Kweilin and Pinglo was reported in the "China Mail" on Wednesday.]

PREMIER AND "WHITE PAPER" INCIDENT

REPLY TO LIBERALS

WHAT SIR AUSTEN SAID AT BIRMINGHAM

CONSERVATIVES CONFIDENT

London, Yesterday.
Mr. Baldwin addressed a meeting of electors of the City of London this afternoon. Within the general area of the City of London, he said, was unrivalled financial power and responsibility. It had not been built up on new policies but primarily on old.

Referring to the safeguarding of industries, Mr. Baldwin said it would normally be applied after appreciation of specific industry and after impartial inquiry. Iron and steel would be treated exactly like any other industry. It would have to make out its case before the Tribunal. He had pledged himself to impose no food duties.—British Wireless Service.

Premier And "Misrepresentations"

Fashionably dressed women mingled with top-hatted business and industrial magnates at a meeting of the City of London electors, addressed by Mr. Baldwin. The Premier, at the outset, replied to the Opposition attack regarding the issue of the "White Paper" and mentioned that the sales had already exceeded the cost of production. He charged the Liberals with acting unconstitutionally and being guilty of misrepresentation when they asserted that civil servants were unable to find a flaw in Mr. Lloyd George's scheme.

Confidence!

Sir Austen Chamberlain, at Birmingham, said that Mr. Baldwin had invited him to continue to be Foreign Secretary in the new Parliament and he proposed to do so.

The Polling

With the huge increase in the electorate and the consequent millions more votes to count, it is expected that fewer election results will be announced on polling night, and even these will be later than in previous years. Furthermore, as this is a "summer time" election, the polling hours may be extended one hour in boroughs and industrial divisions. This is a further reason why the authorities in many constituencies may postpone the counting till May 31.—Reuter.

HEADING BACK

"GRAF ZEPPELIN" HAS TWO MOTORS BROKEN

WIRELESS MESSAGE

New York, Yesterday.
The "Graf Zeppelin" which early this afternoon passed over Barcelona, wirelessly this evening: "Two motors broken, heading back." New Yorkers Disappointed.

Much disappointment is felt here through the postponement of the visit of the "Graf Zeppelin", for which elaborate arrangements had been made at Lakehurst, to which hundreds of marines and special police had been despatched to cope with the enormous crowds expected.—Reuter's American Service.

Conference With Passengers

Friedrichshafen, Yesterday.
Commander Eckener decided to return at 6.35 in the evening after conferring with the passengers.—Reuter.

A Wireless Message

Berlin, Yesterday.
The "Graf Zeppelin" has wirelessly stated that she is eight miles south of the Rhine Delta, travelling slowly against a strong wind.—Reuter.

EX-CONSUL'S FATE

SUICIDE IN HIS HOME IN MELBOURNE

Melbourne, Yesterday.
Mr. Henry English Fulford, ex-Consul-General in Tientsin, has been found in his bedroom shot dead. He had lately been in ill-health.—Reuter.

PIRATES BUSY

VILLAGERS SEEK SAFETY IN KONGMOON

BANDITS' TOLL

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
Kongmoon, Yesterday.
Kumchuk, Kweichow, and the surrounding districts are again overrun by pirates and many villagers have fled from their homes. Many have gone to Hong Kong, whilst others have come to Kongmoon. It is said that bandits are exacting a safe-conduct fee of \$50 on each Canton junk passing the rapid. The Government has ordered that the boycott of Japanese goods must cease, but nevertheless demonstrations were carried out on the 9th instant as a reminder to the people of the humiliation of the 21 Demands.

Silver coins, which have been \$1.34 to the Hong Kong dollar, have slightly appreciated in value and are to-day quoted at \$1.31. No doubt this is due to the surrender of the Navy and the general feeling that there will be no more trouble. Although it had been raining steadily, but not heavily, almost every day for the last two weeks or so, the padi fields are still in want of water. As the result of to-day's heavy rain the flood up river is beginning to rise.

FAIR TO SHOWERY

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states: The anti-cyclone remains to the east of Japan and has weakened considerably. A trough of low pressure extends from S. China across Formosa to the Pacific. Forecast: S. W. or variable winds, moderate; fair to showery.

WAR LORDS FIGHT

MORE DIFFERENCES IN THE NORTH NOW SETTLED?

Chefoo, Yesterday.
During the past few days some fighting has taken place at Hwang-shien, where General Chang Ching-ku (former Minister of Industry) declared against Yin Yin-chi. The latter has now successfully disarmed Chang Ching-ku and is controlling the situation.

A telegram received by the American Consul reports that all is quiet. Considerable anxiety was felt last week regarding the differences between General Liu Chen-nien and General Yin Yin-chi. These, it is reported, have been settled, and the latter is proceeding to Tehcho. General Liu Chen-nien is controlling the territory as far as Lungkow.—Reuter.

STATE FUNDS

GOVERNOR'S IMPEACHMENT ABANDONED

"REGARDLESS OF EVIDENCE"

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Yesterday.
In the Senate Court the impeachment has been abandoned on charges of misuse of state funds, bribery, etc., owing to Long's political supporters inducing a sufficient number of citizens to sign a statement declaring that they will vote for his acquittal regardless of the evidence, as they believe the charges have been brought in violation of the Constitution.—Reuter's American Service.

HIS MAJESTY

AN "ALL-INDIA THANKSGIVING APPEAL"

ISSUED BY VICEROY

Simla, Yesterday.
The Viceroy has issued an "All India Thanksgiving Appeal to commemorate His Majesty's recovery. The proceeds will be utilised for the alleviation or prevention of sickness and disease in India.—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 1/11 5/16.

WRITING EXPERTS FALLIBILITY

SUMMING-UP

CHIEF JUSTICE DEALS WITH TRICK THEORY

VERDICT THIS AFTERNOON

The Supreme Court was crowded this morning long before the resumption of the case between the Treasury and the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. Mr. Eldon Potter, counsel for the plaintiff having concluded his final address to the jury yesterday afternoon, the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, summed up at great length this morning. His Lordship said that it was to be regretted that so much valuable time of the jury was taken up in the case, but that they must realise the importance attaching to the issue of the action.

Bank and Customer

For many years, his Lordship said, the Bank and the Treasury had been on friendly terms as banker and customer. It was one of the duties of the Bank to honour cheques if properly signed by the customer. If they had paid out on forged cheques, they would have to stand the consequences. The issues in the action under review all centered on three cheques drawn on December 30, 1927. The amounts, which were over \$260,000 in all, were debited to the Government, and the Government now alleged that these amounts were wrongly debited, because the signatures of Mr. Messer and Mr. Black were not written by them nor by their consent. The defence said that the signatures were genuine and were, in fact, signed by Mr. Messer and Mr. Black.

Cheque Forms Genuine

Touching upon the circumstances which gave rise to the action his Lordship said that it was quite clear that Carvalho Yeo was convicted of uttering forged cheques. The case was a very important one, and that the jury must not allow themselves to be influenced by Yeo's case. They were to decide the issues in this case according to justice and law. It must be remembered that the cheque forms were genuine enough. They were taken from the Government cheque books and all the jury had to determine was whether or not the signatures were forgeries. His Lordship then reviewed the evidence as adduced by both parties and of the exhaustive account of the procedure in the Treasury as given by both Mr. Messer and Mr. Black.

Coming to the theft of the 60 cheques, his Lordship said that the plaintiffs' case was that if Tsang-On-wing was in the swindle, there was no object in stealing the cheques. Of course, the defence had given other views on that question.

Vivid Imagination

Commenting on the expert evidence regarding handwriting, his Lordship said that handwriting experts were not infallible. However honest a person might have been, there were many things which might have tended to distort his handwriting. Dr. Shell-shear had made many high claims for himself saying that he could detect any forgery if given the time and material; but then an expert also possessed a high degree of imagination as evidenced in the point raised by Dr. Shell-shear in regard to the "C" in the signature of Mr. Messer. Mr. Jenkin had also forcefully argued that if the cheques were forged, the forger must necessarily possess high skill, and if a man had that skill it would be untenable to suggest that he would make such a silly mistake in writing the line under "Mr. Messer's signature. The plaintiffs had also made much of this point. It was said that Mr. Messer always had made that line in every conceivable way, but on the three disputed cheques, that line was too neat.

Mr. Jenkin's argument was not necessary an answer to the suggestion. It was remarkable how often men, criminals or otherwise, combined skill and nerve with fetishness. Mr. Jenkin's Fairness. The suggestion had also been made by the defence that the signatures were obtained by a trick. Mr. Jenkin had acted very fairly when he said: that he was

NEW GOVERNOR OF FIJI

SIR A. M. FLETCHER

FORMER HONG KONG OFFICIAL'S PROMOTION

DISTINGUISHED CAREER

London, Yesterday.
Sir Arthur Murchison Fletcher, who is at present Colonial Secretary of Caylon, was (as is well-known here) Colonial Secretary of Hong Kong for many years—until, in fact, a little more than three years ago. He came to Hong Kong in 1901 as a Civil Service cadet and gradually worked his way through various departments. Sir Arthur is the son of Dr. Fletcher of Highgate, London, and was born in 1878. In 1915 he married Miss Dorothy Rogers-Harrison, daughter of Lt.-Col. Rogers-Harrison, I.M.S., and brought his bride to Hong Kong. They have two sons. In 1927, in the absence of the Governor, he administered the Government of Caylon. While in Hong Kong Sir Arthur was widely known, and his departure from the Colony was made the occasion, both by Chinese and Britons, of many kindly references to his work as an official. It will be recalled that before the late Sir F. H. May came to Hong Kong as Governor, he was for a brief spell Governor of the Fiji Islands.]

CHINESE ADMIRAL

MAKES OFFICIAL LANDING THIS MORNING

VISITS ARMY HEADQUARTERS

Rear-Admiral H. Y. Chen and his staff made their official landing from the Chinese cruiser "Hai Yung" this morning at 10.30. At the Queen's Pier were Col. W.D.S. Brownrigg, D.S.O., and Capt. Sillitoe, A.D.C. to H.E. the Governor, to receive the visitors. A guard of honour drawn from the King's Own Scottish Borderers paraded outside the pier, and at their rear was the full band of the same regiment. Rear-Admiral Chen, on landing, was received by Col. Brownrigg. He then inspected the guard of honour and the party drove to the Army Headquarters in motor cars.

not challenging the honesty of both Mr. Messer and Mr. Black. He had, in fact, said that he believed that both Mr. Messer and Mr. Black had honestly thought that they had never signed those cheques. It would be for the jury to consider carefully the trick theory. It was suggested that the signatures could have been obtained by a forged voucher. Well, the jury had heard that all vouchers must bear the name of the payee and also the amount. Mr. Messer had denied that that was possible. The other suggestion was that the cheques had been signed in blank. This was also hotly denied by the plaintiff.

His Lordship said that it must be borne in mind that both Mr. Messer and Mr. Black were high officials of the Government. They held positions of trust and bore an unimpeachable character. It would therefore be absurd to think that they could have been so impracticable and unbusinesslike as to sign cheques in blank. Then there was the last suggestion to consider. It was suggested that the cheques in question had been filled in for "Eighty Six" leaving plenty of room both in the writing space and the space for figures. With this cheque the signatures were obtained, and that the party to the fraud filled in "Eighty six thousand and . . . 18,000 Cheques Examined. To this both Mr. Messer and Mr. Black had said that could not be possible, because in all the cheques they had signed there never had been so much room left out in the spaces provided. No fewer than 18,000 cheques had been examined and each one of them was filled in such a way that all remaining spaces had been carefully ruled out. Would it then be possible for a cheque filled in that manner as suggested to have escaped the notice of the signatories?

Continuing, his Lordship said that the jury had seen that the cross-examination of both sides had been very severe. He (his Lordship) would be doing wrong if he had interferred. Severely in (Continued on Page 7.)

REPARATIONS

WASHINGTON AND THE PROPOSED BANK

"SYMPATHY AND INTEREST"

Washington, Yesterday.
Mr. H. Stimson (State Secretary) announces that no officer of the Federal Reserve Board or any other of the officials will be permitted to serve in the International Bank planned by the Conference of Reparations Experts in Paris. He declares that the United States' Government viewed with sympathy and interest the work of the experts, but did not wish to have any American official directly or indirectly connected with the collection of German reparations.—Reuter's American Service.

GEORGE DUNCAN COMES BACK

HAGEN OUT

RESULTS OF THE SECOND ROUND TO HAND

LADIES' SEMI-FINALS

London, Yesterday.
At Moortown, Leeds, to-day, in the first round of the golf tournament for 1,000 guineas, George Duncan beat W. Hagen by one hole. Hagen opened with two wins, Duncan stuffing his second shot at the first hole and taking three putts from twenty yards at the next. Duncan won the third, holding a three-yarder, and the American won the fourth. Duncan squared at the sixth but was hunkered at the seventh. He became one down, but squared at the eighth, where he holed an eight-yarder and took the lead for the first time at the twelfth. He lost it at the sixteenth, when he missed a one and a half yarder. The seventeenth was halved, both men playing great second shots. At the eighteenth, Hagen, putting first, laid a stymie, but Duncan cleverly negotiated it from twelve yards and holed out. First Round Results. George Duncan (unattached) beat W. Hagen (America), one up. A. G. Havers (unattached) beat Gus Faulkner, 3 and 2. W. H. Davies (Wallasey) beat George Cadd, 3 and 1. W. T. Twine (Ashford) beat J. Jura (Argentina), 1 and 2. E. C. Tolly (Foxglove) beat L. T. Cotton (Cousland Court), 5 and 3. Archie Compston (Coombe Hill) beat Aubrey Boomer (St. Cloud), on the 21st hole. C. A. Whitcombe (Crews Hill) beat T. H. Cotton (Langley Park), 2 and 1. E. D. Dudley (America) beat Seyner (Birkdale), 3 and 2. Leo Diegel (America) beat Al. Watrous (America), one up. Ockenden beat Claude Gray, one up. Abe Mitchell (private) beat F. Robson (Cooden Beach), one up. Joe Turnesa (America) beat E. Whitcombe (Bournemouth) at the 19th hole. Horton Smith (America) beat Tom Barbour, 2 up. J. J. Taylor beat J. Atkinson (Less Hall), 4 and 3. S. F. Brews (South Africa) beat A. Bradbeer, 2 up. A. Young (Sonning) beat Bert Hodson (Newport) at the 21st hole. Second Round Results. W. H. Davies (Wallasey) beat A. G. Havers (unattached), 3 and 2. George Duncan (unattached) beat Ockenden, 5 and 4. H. C. Tolly (Foxglove) beat W. T. Twine (Ashford), 6 and 5. Archie Compston (Coombe Hill) beat Abe Mitchell (private), 4 and 2. Joe Turnesa (America) beat Horton Smith (America), 3 and 2. J. J. Taylor beat S. F. Brews (South Africa), 3 and 2. Leo Diegel (America) beat E. D. Dudley (America), 5 and 4. C. A. Whitcombe (Crews Hill) beat A. Young (Sonning), 2 up.

BRITISH LADIES

Results of the Semi-Final Ties

The competition at St. Andrew's for the British Ladies' Open Championship is now reaching its closing stages. To-day there was fine weather and a large attendance. Results. Miss Doris Park beat Miss Enid Wilson, at the 19th. Miss Glenna Collett beat Mrs. Watson, 3 and 2. Miss Joyce Wethered beat Miss Molly Goulay, 7 and 5. Mrs. Guedalla beat Miss Pymon, 3 and 2. Semi-Finals. Miss Joyce Wethered beat Mrs. Ovedalla, 5 and 4. Miss Glenna Collett beat Doris Park, 4 and 3.—Reuter.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 24th MAY, 1929, at 11 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1928, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 6th MAY to 24th MAY, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER, General Manager.
Hong Kong, 1st May, 1929.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD. (Incorporated in Hong Kong).

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTIETH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 24th MAY, 1929, at 11.15 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1928, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 6th MAY to 24th MAY, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER, General Manager.
Hong Kong, 1st May, 1929.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD. (Incorporated in Hong Kong).

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 24th MAY, 1929, at 11.20 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1928, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

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By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER, General Manager.
Hong Kong, 1st May, 1929.

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NOTICES.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE HALF YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of Voting Members will be held in the Jockey Club Room, Hong Kong Club Annex, on FRIDAY, 17th May, 1929, at 5.10 p.m.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN, Secretary.
Hong Kong, 30th April, 1929.

BANK HOLIDAYS

IN Accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on MONDAY, the 20th instant (Whit Monday).

Hong Kong, 14th May, 1929.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on SATURDAY, May 18 and on MONDAY, May 20, 1929, commencing at 3 p.m.

The first bell will be rung at 2.30 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1 for all persons including Ladies. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5 each per day up to Friday, May 17, 1929.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2 per day.

Each member can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, Badges for admission of 2 Ladies free of charge.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meetings.

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VOLUNTEER CORPS

ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK

KING'S BIRTHDAY

The Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps' orders, issued by Lt.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Commandant, include the following:—

King's Birthday Parade.
All ranks of The Corps are reminded of the King's Birthday Parade which will take place on the Cricket Ground during the forenoon of June 3. His Excellency The G.O.C. has expressed his special wish for a full turnout of The Corps and The Commandant asks all to keep the date free.

Holidays.
Monday, May 20 (Whit-Monday), and Friday, May 24 (Empire Day) will be observed as holidays, no parades will be held on those days.

Corps Band.
There will be a full band practice for the King's Birthday Parade at 5.30 p.m. sharp on Tuesday at Volunteer Headquarters, dress muff.

Engineer Co.
To-day—Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. to proceed to Kennedy-road Range for firing. Dress: Muff.

Mounted Infantry Co.
Thursday, May 23—All ranks will parade at Race-Course at 5.30 p.m. for Mounted Drill. Dress: Muff.

Armoured Car Co.
Car Section, Monday, May 27—Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. to proceed to Kennedy-road Range for Machine Gun Part I. Musketry.

Motor Cycle Section. Parades for the Motor Cycle Section will be discontinued until further notice.

Machine Gun Co.
All ranks are requested to keep the morning of June 3 free for the King's Birthday Parade; full details later.

Scottish Co.
Weekly parades will be discontinued until further notice. Reminder:—A full attendance of the Company is expected to turn out for the King's Birthday Parade on June 3. All ranks should make a joint of keeping this date free.

Portuguese Co.
Church Parade. The Company annual Church Parade will take place on Sunday, June 2. Particulars will be issued later. Annual meeting. The Company annual meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 22. Time and place will be notified later. It is hoped that as many as possible will attend.

Strength.
The following recruits have been taken on the strength and posted as under:

No. 1476 Pte. H. P. dos Santos, Portuguese Co., as from May 13.
No. 1477 Bandaman F. Rosario, Corps Band, as from May 14.
No. 1478 Bandaman S. F. de Pinna, Corps Band, as from May 14.

The following extracts from the Hong Kong Government "Gazette" dated May 10, are published for information:

Promotions.
His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the following promotions in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps:

Lieutenant Alistair Mackenzie to be Captain, to date from April 26.
Second Lieutenant Henry Russell Forsyth to be Lieutenant, to date from April 20.

Second Lieutenant Robert Keith Valentine to be Lieutenant, to date from April 21.

Second Lieutenant Maurice Alfred Johnson, M.M., to be Lieutenant, to date from April 22.

Resignation.
His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation by Captain Sir Eric Stuart Taylor, O.B.E., M.D., of his Commission in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from May 7.

Promotions and Appointments.
No. 2 Platoon:
No. 1094 L/Sgt. A. Urquhart, to be Sergeant, as from May 13.
No. 9 Platoon:
No. 1156 L/Cpl. F. A. M. Rosario, to be L/Sgt., as from May 15.

No. 1088 Pte. P. M. Xavier, to be L/Cpl., as from May 15.
No. 1381 Pte. B. T. Gosano, to be L/Cpl., as from May 15.

No. 1397 Pte. J. M. Pinna, to be L/Cpl., as from May 15.
No. 10 Platoon:
No. 1178 L/Sgt. H. J. Silva, to be Sgt., as from May 15.

No. 1135 Cpl. N. B. Maher, to be Sgt., as from May 15.
No. 1164 L/Cpl. A. J. V. Ribeiro, to be Cpl., as from May 15.

No. 1323 Pte. C. A. J. Ribeiro, to be L/Cpl., as from May 15.
No. 1176 Pte. A. E. Carvalho, to be L/Cpl., as from May 15.

No. 1327 Pte. H. R. Pinna, to be L/Cpl., as from May 15.

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The following unclaimed telegram is lying in the E. E. Telegraph Co. office, Hong Kong:—

Bethell, Empress Lodge, Kowloon, from Athelstanford.
S. LACK, Superintendent.
Hong Kong, 16th May 1929.

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Cochran s.s. "Van Buren", from Peking.
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E. V. JESSEN, Superintendent.
Hong Kong, Station, 16th May, 1929.

No. 1291 Pte. M. A. Silva (Jun.) to be L/Cpl., as from May 15.
No. 1203 Pte. J. J. Xavier, to be L/Cpl., as from May 15.

No. 11 Platoon:
No. 950 L/Sgt. J. A. Delgado, to be Sgt., as from May 15.
1249 Pte. J. C. Remedios, to be L/Cpl., as from May 15.

Leave.
No. 701 L/Sgt. T. P. Saunderson, No. 7 Platoon, from June 1, 1929 to April 30, 1930.
No. 1233 Bandaman V. G. Xavier, Corps Band, sick leave from May 7 to July 6.

No. 1384 Bandaman A. B. de Souza, Corps Band, from May 8 to June 7.

Struck off the Strength.
Having left the Colony:
No. 1208 Pte. C. F. V. Roza, No. 9 Platoon, as from January 18.

No. 1105 Pte. W. Wooding, Car Section, as from May 15.
No. 1376 Pte. T. A. Lewis, Car Section, as from May 15.

R. A. WOLFE MURRAY, Major, Adjutant, H. K. V. D. Corps. Notices.

Machine Gun Company Rifle Club will meet at the Peak Range at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday.

HONG KONG HOTEL VISITORS

May 16, 1929.

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Messrs. A. M. Birchall, F. Grey Burn, G. Buft, Miss M. E. Baldwin, Mr. E. J. Carmichael, Mr. A. Ditisheim, Messrs. J. E. Foss, F. Franklin, Mr. M. F. D. Graham, Mr. A. Hicks, Mr. W. Kieker, Messrs. Oliver Lee, W. Leaver, A. J. Loomes, I. Lackamp, Miss H. Lillie, Messrs. O. Meister, H. G. McNeary, Mrs. Richard Plumer, Mr. A. H. Rosenfeld, Messrs. S. Schofield, F. X. da Silva, J. Sader, N. Somsch, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Young.

WAR COMPENSATION

9,500 CLAIMS DEALT WITH

Appointed in December, 1918, the War Compensation Court has just completed its work, and issued its eighth and final report.

In all the Court held 1,932 sittings and determined and reported in respect of 9,536 claims. The awarded lump sum payments amounting in the aggregate to \$3,951,892 against claim for approximately \$17,864,234 and periodical payments at the rate of \$1,155,523 a year against claim for approximately \$1,816,851 a year. Six hundred and eighty-one claims had been withdrawn or otherwise disposed of.

There had been 22 appeals from the decisions of the Court. The Court of Appeal had upheld the decisions of the War Compensation Court in 15 cases and the House of Lords in four cases.

The report is signed by the Lord Chief Justice (Lord Hewart) as

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SEATTLE, VICTORIA via Shanghai & Japan Ports.	Monday, 26th May.
IYO MARU	Monday, 26th May.
SHIZUOKA MARU	Monday, 26th May.
LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez.	Saturday, 18th May.
KAMO MARU	Saturday, 18th May.
KATORI MARU (Calls Lisbon)	Saturday, 18th May.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.	Monday, 17th June.
KAGA MARU	Monday, 17th June.
TANGO MARU	Monday, 17th June.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.	Tuesday, 22nd May.
PERAN MARU	Tuesday, 22nd May.
SADO MARU	Tuesday, 22nd May.
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.	Thursday, 30th May.
GINYO MARU	Thursday, 30th May.
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.	Friday, 7th June.
WAKASA MARU	Friday, 7th June.
NEW YORK via PANAMA.	Friday, 31st May.
ASUKA MARU	Friday, 31st May.
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Geneva, Marseilles.	Tuesday, 21st May.
TOYOOKA MARU	Tuesday, 21st May.
CAICUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Thursday, 30th May.
AKITA MARU	Thursday, 30th May.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	Thursday, 23rd May.
DURBAN MARU	Thursday, 23rd May.
HAKONE MARU	Monday, 27th May.
AWA MARU	Friday, 31st May.

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SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP—via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.	Sunday, 9th June.
ANDES MARU	Sunday, 9th June.
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.	Friday, 17th May.
SANTOS MARU	Friday, 17th May.
MANILA MARU	Thursday, 27th June.
BOMBAY—via Singapore & Colombo.	Tuesday, 21st May.
GANGES MARU	Tuesday, 21st May.
SHINOH MARU (Calls at Karachi)	Monday, 3rd June.
DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAH-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—via Singapore & Colombo.	Friday, 31st May.
CHICAGO MARU	Friday, 31st May.
CALCUTTA—via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Saturday, 18th May.
KASADO MARU	Saturday, 18th May.
SUMATRA MARU	Wednesday, 22nd May.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—via Japan Ports.	Tuesday, 21st May.
AFRICA MARU (From Shanghai)	Tuesday, 21st May.
MELBOURNE—via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	Thursday, 6th June.
MADRAS MARU	Thursday, 6th June.
HAIPHONG via Hanoi & Fakh.	Thursday, 6th June 10 a.m.
NEW YORK—via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.	Saturday, 18th May.
ALTAI MARU	Saturday, 18th May.
SANUKI MARU	Wednesday, 22nd May.
TACOMA MARU	Friday, 24th May.
KEELUNG—via SWATOW & AMOY.	Sunday, 19th May, 3 p.m.
HOZAN MARU	Sunday, 19th May, 3 p.m.
CANTON MARU	Sunday, 26th May, 3 p.m.
YAKAO—via SWATOW & AMOY.	Sunday, 26th May, 3 p.m.
TAKAO & KEELUNG	Wednesday, 22nd May.
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SHIPPING SECTION.

TURNED BACK

VESSELS REFUSED CLEARANCE AT SAMSHUI

After a notice was issued by the local Harbour Master, on Wednesday that conditions on the West River justified ships sailing for Wuchow without Government Convoy, five vessels left for Wuchow that evening, namely, "Kong Ning" (Capt. McCarthy), "Kong So" (Capt. MacInnes), "Tai Ming" (Capt. Trot), "Kwong Ying" (Capt. Sinclair), and "Chang On" (Capt. Sinclair). On reaching Samshui yesterday morning, the authorities refused to grant them clearance papers for Wuchow. The s.s. "Kochow" and the s.s. "Tai Ming" which left on Sunday evening, reached Wuchow, without having called at Samshui, being under escort. The Wuchow authorities thereupon issued a notice that vessels bound for that port must call at Samshui. Consequently, the following words were added to the last notice to mariners that conditions on the West River justified vessels leaving without a convoy: "Ships should call at Samshui."

LINERS AT CARDIFF

CALL BY THE C.P.S.S. "MONTROSE"

It was anticipated that nearly 300 passengers would embark at Cardiff on the Canadian Pacific "Montrose" for St. John, N.B., and is felt to be an encouraging start, which gives every promise that Cardiff will continue to be a port of call for some of the Atlantic liners. The "Montrose" which is very well-known in the Canadian passenger trade, was built in 1922, and is 16,400 tons, and 16½ knots speed. Her call at Cardiff will be the first occasion on which a Canadian Pacific passenger liner of this type has broken away from the regular sailings from Southampton, Liverpool and Glasgow.

Among the passengers embarking at Cardiff were Sir George Bury, who until recently was one of the vice-presidents of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. The "Montrose" made a further sailing from Cardiff on May 4.

REPAIR WORK IN SHIPYARDS

Messrs. Henry Robb, Ltd., Leith, had repair work on hand on the following ships recently:—"Balmah," "Breslau," "Cairnvalona," "Corica," "Cordene," "Dalwhinnie," "Elphinstone," "Gibralter," "Hangist," "Harrington," "Invergrange," "Oder," and "Royal" Scot. Smith's Dock Company, Ltd., North Shields, had the following work in hand during the week ended April 5:—"At North Shields"—Docked: "British Marquis," "Malistan," "Radio," "Dafila," "Deido," and "Stonepool." Afloat: "Saint Dunstan," "Sunik," "Thistleford," "Astrakhan," "Airthia," "Sigrid," "Brooklyn," "Calford," "Redrigh," "Glyn," "Pendennis," and "Drakepool." At River Tees Dockyard:—"Orneborg," "Porjus," "Mahseen," "Quickstep," "Boukadra," "Umlazi," and "Carmarthenshire." Afloat: "City of Sparta," "Kalki," "Port Hardy," "Linnell," "Mandator," "Margha," "Sharrington Court," "Bhutan," "Vardulia," "Bennohr," "Masula," "Tatarika," "Maldia," "Hessa," "Elswick Tower," "Dromore Castle," "Boukadra," and "Trentwood."

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" arrived at Shanghai on May 17 (Fri.) at 7.30 a.m., leaves Shanghai on May 18 (Sat.) at 5 a.m., and is due at Nagasaki on May 19 (Sun.) at 11 a.m. She leaves on May 19 (Sun.) at midnight. The Ben Line s.s. "Benarines" from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines is due to arrive here on May 25.

SHIPPING BREVITY

A lifeboat which was moored alongside the No. 5 hatch of the B.L. s.s. "Cambodia" lying at the central jetty of the Hong Kong and Whampoa Docks, was stolen between 2 and 6 a.m. yesterday, according to a report made to the Police by Mr. W. Wyatt, second officer of the ship.

MARINERS WARNED

SEARCHLIGHT PRACTICE TO BE CARRIED OUT

The Harbour Master issues the following notice to mariners:—Searchlight practice of about three hours' duration from nightfall will be carried out at the following stations on the dates stated:—Belchers—June 11, July 9, and August 13. Lyonnais—May 23, June 20, July 18 and August 22. Stonecutters—May 28, June 25, July 23 and August 27.

DEEP-SEA TRADE

... and reports British shipping inactive. "Daily Press." Is there never a keel of all the keels that fly the ensign red, Of house-flag free we can trust at sea for sake of our English dead? Our dead that lie by the tropic reef or litter the Jutland bank; Our dead strewn wide to the whipping side where the stricken trawler sank. With the men that followed the off-shore wind and lifted the scarred sail. Lies the "Golden Hind" by the sea snakes blind where the dead of England are.

The men of the freighter about their ship "sunk" without a trace. Do they lift their heads from the ocean beds and turn in their resting place. As the white wake ripples the surface light, with shadows flickering through. Which there comes the bulk of a foreign hulk and the drum of a foreign screw? Do they speak their grief if she surges by while the eddies die and cease? "Though we won the war in the days of yore, for God we have lost the peace."

Where our dead lay strewn to the Seven Seas, the dead of our England's pride— Full of them they lay by berg and bay, who all for England died— Do we keep the faith by our noble dead, with goods in a foreign hold? Do they ask in pain, have they died in vain, since a measure of Britain's goes out to the neutral flags that came the traitor mines to sow. And to those who uttered with friendliness the smile the lie of a secret foe?

The men who drove the Armada back and shattered the might of Spain. Lie side by side with the men who died when a fleet came out again. The men who fought the little "Revenge" and ringed her about with death. Poured the same food of English blood as the men of the "Birkenhead." The littered decks of the sunken ships tell plain how the race was run. But the sons of the dead are denied their bread for the sake of the pence per ton.

Lie our gentlemen adventurers by many a good ship tall. In the drowsing tides by the splintered sides where the deep sea creatures lay. They laid their ship on the galleons' flank in a devil-wedlock fast. And sank with the foe to the depths below, an English flag at the mast. They fought to the death for their England's sake, gentlemen unafraid. And bought the sea in simple fee for the sake of the deep sea trade.

Midst kelp and weed of the shallow seas where the coral polyps creep. By their rusting screws in the deep-sea ooze, the dead of England sleep. By the shifting sands, a fathom down, that hungry wait their turn. By the ghastly teeth of the half-tide reef that watches the ghost-lights burn.

Where the white whale breaches a feathered plume, where grinds the drifting floe. In the severed ranks from the smoking Banks, the dead of England go.

There is never an isle or spit or bay but counts its English dead. To weather or lee is never a sea but stained by the blood of the dead. And never a way of the outer ways but England paved with her own. And never a land or sea or strand but there her flag has flown. To every wave of the open seas, to the waters of the world. We have bought the right in open fight with an English flag unfurled.

Must be stow our goods in a foeman's hatch and starve our kith and kin? Must we freight our clip in a neutral ship that brought the horn mines in? For pride of our countless dead at sea, for pride of our forebears bold, Go, freight instead beneath an enemy's red and stay in a British hold. We learned it of old, the lesson hard, in times of our jeopardy. In the deep-sea freight is England's fate, by terms of our Admiralty— E. W. O'Brien, in "Harbour" (Sydney).

WARSHIPS IN PORT

The following warships are at present here:—H.M.S. "Tamar," S. W. Basin; H.M.S. S/m. L15, North Arm; H.M.S. "Seepoy," W. W. Dock; H.M.S. "Cornwall," In Dock; H.M.S. "Bruce," "Somme" and "Sirdar." Foreign Men-of-War: Chinese Cruisers: "Yang Swee" and "Hai Yang." French Gunboat "Argue." U.S.S. "Tulsa."

CHANNEL TUNNEL

G.S.N. CO.'S CRITICISM OF SCHEME

BETTER STEAMERS

London.—Like most other companies interested in Continental shipping traffic, the General Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., pays close attention to the proposed Channel tunnel. Speaking at the twenty-sixth annual meeting of the company, the chairman, Mr. W. J. McAlister, said:—We have heard a great deal lately about a Channel tunnel, about train ferries, and even a Channel bridge, and as transport cross-Channel is a matter of concern to us, we are naturally interested in any new developments. The proposal to bridge the Straits of Dover we need not take seriously, as it is unthinkable that perhaps the busiest waterway in the world should, under certain conditions of weather, be made positively dangerous to navigation. With regard to a tunnel, there seem to be three aspects—namely, engineering, military and economic, writes a special correspondent in "Journal of Commerce."

You will have observed that last week the Government appointed a committee of five to report on the economic side of the question, and their conclusions will be awaited with great interest. I believe that the two principal objections of passengers to the present methods of transport are the risk of seasickness and delay and inconvenience caused by Customs examination. No form of transport will obviate these, Customs formalities, and as regards the other, I should think that for a fraction of the sum required to build a tunnel the existing services could be improved by providing larger and more comfortable steamers together with port facilities to adequately deal with them.

For passengers for whom passage by steamer is too slow, there is the alternative of the airway, which appeals to an increasing number of travellers. As to train-ferries, these have many of the disadvantages of a tunnel, such as railway rolling stock, restriction of route, etc., and there is also the high capital cost in relation to earning powers, all making this method less economical than steamship service.

Progress of the G.S.N. Co. Referring to the company itself, the Chairman added:—If you compare the figures with those of the previous year you will find very little change. The trading profits for 1928 were slightly less than in 1927, which, however, was a favourable year. Nevertheless, there has been quite sufficient to allow of an ample sum being allocated for depreciation of shipping and properties, and for the payment of 6 per cent. dividend, free of tax, on the ordinary shares.

To give a few comparative figures the tonnage of cargo carried during 1928 was 1,234,863, against 1,225,795 tons in 1927—an increase of 69,068 tons; our bill for coal and oil fuel was \$7,548 less than in 1927, although the mileage steamed, namely, 1,329,292 miles, was 74,648 more than in 1927. Apart from the company's regular business, our branch offices at home and abroad have satisfactorily handled on behalf of other owners no fewer than 354 vessels. This is an increasing part of our business.

There was little change in our fleet during the last year. Two new steamers were added—the "Groningen" for Harlingen, and the "Woodlark" for our Leith service. The "Goldfinch" was sold during the year. Since the beginning of 1929 we have sold five steamers, purchased two, and had one new vessel delivered. In our new steamers we are increasing the refrigerated accommodation in order to give more facilities for shipping this class of traffic to Continental ports.

Thanks Passenger Service In spite of the good weather last summer, the Thames passenger service was disappointing. There were five or six sailings daily from London, although, except at week-ends throughout the season, all the passengers travelling could have been comfortably carried by our "Crested Eagle" and "Golden Eagle" even at the week-ends, except on one or two days, our three boats would have been sufficient, so it can readily be understood why this business in the past has not been profitable for all the steamers employed. As to the future, increasing competition with the motor coaches does not make the prospect any brighter. At the end of last season we decided to sell our third steamer—the "Eagle"—as, on account of age, the cost of keeping her good

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EMPERESS OF FRANCE	June 5	June 8	June 11
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	June 26	June 29	July 2
EMPERESS OF ASIA	July 10	July 13	July 16
EMPERESS OF FRANCE	July 31	Aug. 3	Aug. 6
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Aug. 21	Aug. 24	Aug. 27
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Sept. 4	Sept. 7	Sept. 10
EMPERESS OF FRANCE	Sept. 25	Sept. 28	Oct. 1
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Oct. 8	Oct. 12	Oct. 15
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Oct. 30	Nov. 2	Nov. 5
EMPERESS OF CANADA	Nov. 18	Nov. 16	Nov. 19
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condition for the trade was getting somewhat heavy. Just recently, owing to the other two companies in the Thames passenger business going into liquidation, and it seemed unlikely that any of the five steamers owned by them would be run in the Margate service, we felt it was incumbent on our company to supply the tonnage necessary for that service. We therefore purchased the Royal Sovereign for \$25,500. Very large sums had been expended on this steamer in the last two years, and with some small alterations she will suit the requirements of our third sailing. But we must not forget that her course is nearly run, and that it will be necessary for us in the near future to proceed with the building of new tonnage. I am pleased to say that for the coming season we shall have the advantage of the improved terminal in London—the new Tower Pier. Since the war, the only pier available to this side of Greenwich has been Old Swan Pier, with its unattractive approaches both by water and land. We are grateful to the Port of London Authority for

providing facilities more in keeping with the requirements of our great port. Speaking of our business in general, the prospects for 1929 are fairly good, although the year commenced with a considerable handicap owing to the dislocation of trade by the exceptionally heavy ice in the Continental rivers. Harlingen was entirely closed for four weeks, Antwerp for one week (although an unprecedented occurrence.) Hamburg and Bremen, although not entirely closed, were seriously hampered by ice for several weeks. In addition to the loss incurred through difficulty in moving cargo to the ports, almost all our steamers trading to these places have suffered ice damage. The report and accounts were adopted.

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RAJPUTANA	16,568	24th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	4th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
SANTHA	7,754	5th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHGAR	9,005	7th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*TILSINGTON COURT	—	10th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*MIRZAPUR	6,715	10th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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TAKADA	6,949	21st June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KHYBA	9,135	21st June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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EXTENDED FACILITIES

The ambitions of London to become a great passenger port were revealed in a lecture to the Institute of Transport by Mr. D. J. Owen, general manager, Port of London Authority.

He said the deepest vessels now using the port are the steamers "Minotaur" and "Minotaur," which draw up to 37½ ft., that being also about the normal draft of the two largest vessels in the world—the "Majestic" and the "Leviathan." The dredging operations which have accomplished this great improvement, and which have been necessary to maintain the channel in this condition, have cost over £2,000,000, and have involved the removal of 47,000,000 tons of material from the bed of the river.

Proceeding, he said, the improvements at Tilbury Dock were found necessary, as the march of time was bringing about the same state of affairs there as was experienced at the other docks, namely, that the ships were almost too big for the entrance lock, while they had actually outgrown the drydock. It was decided, in 1926, to build a new entrance 1,000 feet long, 110 feet wide, and 45½ feet below Trinity high water, the old lock being 695 feet by 79½ feet by 33 feet.

The largest drydock at Tilbury is now 697½ feet by 73 feet, and the new one will be 750 feet by 110 feet, with a capacity for enlargement to a length of 1,000 feet whenever required. The longest and broadest vessels now using the Tilbury Docks are those of the Orient Line, and as their length is 632 feet and their beam 75½ feet, the necessity for the new lock and graving dock is apparent.

The Tilbury Landing-stage is being constructed in view of the fact that London has been approached for not having within the port special facilities, such as exist at Liverpool, for instance, in the way of a floating stage, for the use of ocean-going vessels. At present embarkation and disembarkation either take place at the dock berth of the vessel, or by tender while the steamer is in the river off Tilbury.

The New Stage

The Port Authority, with the cordial co-operation of the London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company, obtained Parliamentary powers in 1922 for the construction of a passenger landing-stage, and certain necessary works in connection with it; the scheme was started in 1926, and it is expected that it will be completed towards the end of the present year. The stage will be 1,140 feet long, of which 800 feet will be reserved for the cross-river traffic, and the remainder devoted to ocean passengers. Gangways and bridges will be erected between the stage and the river bank, and on the shore will be a commodious Customs baggage examining shed. Considerable improvements are being made by the railway company at their adjoining railway station.

It is significant that the passenger traffic to and from London is becoming more extensive each year. About a quarter of a million sea-going passengers now arrive and depart in a year.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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HONG KONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations, taken at the Kaulung tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Doberck during the years 1897, 1898 and 1899.

The times and heights are given for Kaulung; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval Yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small.

The times of high and low-water must not be considered to coincide with the times of "slack-water" and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

May 17 to 23, 1929.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
May	Standard Time	Standard Time
Fri. 17	6.54 4.7	10.28 4.3
Sat. 18	7.44 4.9	11.00 4.1
Sun. 19	8.36 5.1	11.52 3.9
Mon. 20	9.28 5.3	12.44 3.7
Tues. 21	10.20 5.5	13.36 3.5
Wed. 22	11.12 5.7	14.28 3.3
Thurs. 23	12.04 5.9	15.20 3.1

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T'au via S'ow & S'hai	YATSHING	Sun. 26th May at 10 a.m.
T'au via S'ow & S'hai	HANGSANG	Wed. 29th May at 10 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & Kobe	YUENSANG	Thurs. 23rd May at 10 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & Kobe	KUMSANG	Tues. 18th June at 9 a.m.
Straits & Calcutta	HOSANG	Sat. 18th May at 3 p.m.
Straits & Calcutta	KUTSANG	Sat. 25th May at 3 p.m.
Sandakan	MAUSANG	Fri. 24th May at Noon
Hankow	HINGANG	Tues. 4th June at 10 a.m.
Hankow	CHONGSHING	Tues. 21st May at 7 a.m.
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LINE-THROWING

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Comparative trials were made of the performance of the standard Boxer type rocket fired from the ordinary rocket trough, the same rocket fired by means of the special apparatus devised by Mr. Knight, of Scarborough, and the Schermuly super rocket fired from the normal type of Schermuly pistol rocket apparatus. Three Boxer rockets were fired. Two gave good results, but the other came to the ground within one hundred yards of the firing point.

Four Schermuly super rockets were fired and all functioned perfectly, the case of firing and good direction and range being as notable in the case of the super rockets as it is in the case of the rockets supplied with their ordinary ship sets. The size of the liner used with the super rockets was one inch, and this was carried a distance of over 250 yards, although there was a strong wind blowing almost dead against the direction of flight.

The trials of the apparatus devised by Mr. Knight did not come up to expectations, but, as has been remarked, the conditions were not very favourable.

After the trials with the large rockets, Messrs. Schermuly were asked to fire their No. 3 and No. 2 standard size rockets with three-quarter inch line, i.e. line more than twice as heavy as their own standard line. The range of the smallest rocket with this line was 100 yards, and the range of the No. 2 rocket with this line 175 yards, in each case against a strong wind.

Representing the British Coastguard Service were Captain Rashleigh, Inspector-General of Coastguards; Captain Rundle, Headquarters Coastguards; Captain Strange, Divisional Officer for the South-Eastern Division; Captain Bels, of the Weymouth Division; and Lieutenant Moss, of the Scilly Isles.

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SHIPYARD WAGES

UNIONS TO CLAIM AN

ADVANCE

The Emergency Committee of the shipyard unions, embraced by the Federation of Engineering and Shipbuilding Trades met in London and formulated a definite claim for an all-round advance in wages for shipyard workers.

This decision followed on the preliminary conference with the Shipbuilding Employers' Federation at Newcastle, at which the trade union representatives contended that there had recently been a definite improvement in the amount of work in hand, and also in the prospects of the industry, which justified the payment of an increase in wages to their members.

Under the procedure observed in the industry, an application for a specific sum has to be lodged within seven days. The Federation of Trades therefore decided, to-day, to "make" application for an advance of wages to time-workers of 5s. a week, with an equivalent increase to piece-workers. The application will be the subject of a further conference with the Employers' Federation in due course.

The craft unions, including the shipwrights, painters, electricians, and plumbers, are outside the Federation of Trades, and although they took part in the preliminary conference they were not associated with the decision for a 5s. increase.

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DUBLIN PORT

NEW APPOINTMENTS TO BE MADE

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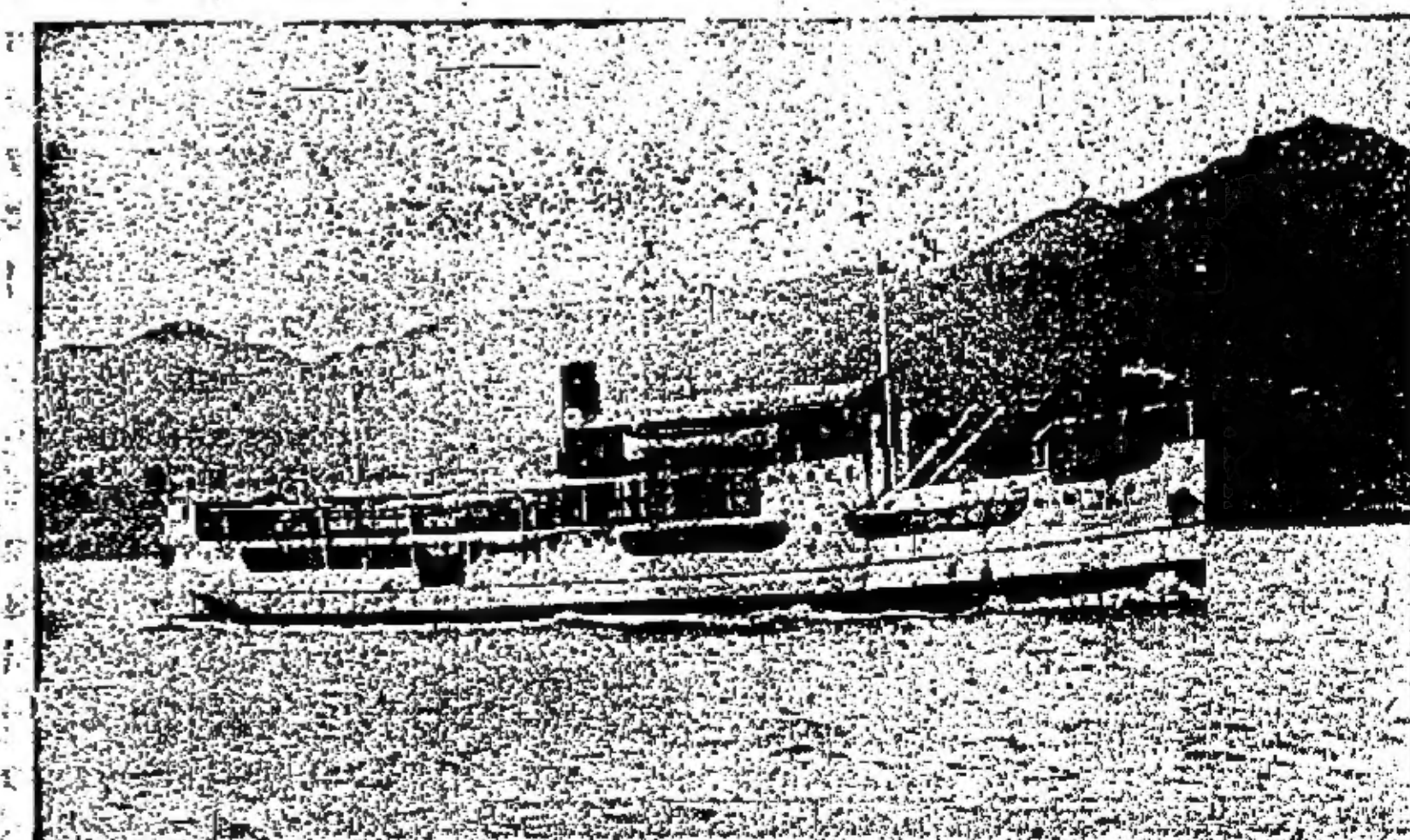
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WEDDING

AU-CHEUNG.—On May 16, 1929,
at the Church of Christ in
China, Rev. C. L. Cheung officiating,
Miss Woon Ting Cheung to
be married to Mr. Daniel P. K. Au.
(Shanghai papers please
copy.)

Hong Kong, Friday, May 17, 1929.

K.R.A. ACTIVITIES

From the report in yesterday's
"China Mail," of the monthly
meeting of the General Com-
mittee of the Kowloon Rate-
payers' Association, it would be
noted that this useful body con-
tinues to do good work for Kow-
loon generally. There are indeed
few matters pertaining to the wel-
fare of the Peninsula that do
not, in one form or another, come
within the scope of the Association's
vigilance. All the time they
"are out" for a better and a
brighter Kowloon, determined
that what they cannot do unaided
to effect improvements, they will
keep pegging away with thrusts
in the shape of correspondence
until the Government recognises
the soundness of their conclusions,
the sincerity of their motives and
the wholeheartedness of their desire
for the betterment of the ratepayers
with whose interests they are so
profoundly concerned. Already much
of what they have sought to do has
been well done; and much more,
doubtless, would have been done
had not the Government
"across the water" proved
singularly and strangely adamant
at times.

But that is the way of Govern-
ments here as elsewhere. Still,
the Kowloon Ratepayers' Asso-
ciation goes merrily along, doing

what they can and hoping for the
best—for it is only the best that
the Association, as guardians of
the rights of Kowloon's ratepay-
ers, will be content with, no
matter what the Government or
anybody else may think about
their self-appointed task. During
the past year the Association has
increased its membership by
forty-three, which probably is
much more than can be said for
many organisations in staid old
Victoria city, where indeed, we
regret to have to record, there is,
by comparison with Kowloon, a
"maskee," soul-deadening atti-
tude towards civic affairs gener-
ally that would not be tolerated
for an instant in Kowloon—certainly
not by the K.R.A. The Association,
we read in the report, intends to go on in-
creasing its membership until, no doubt,
they have such a solid body of
representation that even the most
hardened Government will not
hesitate to comply with any nicely
submitted request regarding our
rapidly developing "little sister
town" across the harbour.

"Children's Playgrounds," the
"Star Ferry Approach," and
"Motor Traffic" were among the
subjects that came up for discus-
sion at the General Committee's
meeting. These subjects seem to
us to have a kind of "hardy
annual" touch about them, but it
cannot be denied that the Asso-
ciation does well to keep them to
the forefront and, with as much
eloquence and persuasiveness as
they can command, impress them
upon the notice of the Govern-
ment.

We read with peculiar satisfac-
tion that "letters from the Asso-
ciation with regard to lack of
supervision at the Chatham Road
playground, and the provision of a
playground in Yaumati were read
and approved, and it was decided
to endeavour to ascertain when
work would be commenced on the
new playground at Middle Road." It
will be noted that nothing is
said as to the Government's atti-
tude in the matter. Perhaps this
is another deplorable exhibition
of the official, adamant manner,
and, if so, it is deeply to be
regretted. We can only say that
we hope the Association will keep
pegging away until all their re-
quirements are complied with.
True to their past, we have not
the slightest doubt that the
K.R.A. will continue to do so. We
also note with much interest that
the Association calls upon the
authorities for "immediate
action" as to expedients for "im-
mediate relief of the traffic con-
gestion at the Star Ferry." The
matter, it seems, has been in the

hands of a sub-committee of the
Association who submitted a
lengthy report. Very properly
the Association refers to the
urgent necessity for some such
scheme as they have in hand
being seriously considered by the
Government.

Much might and ought to be
done on the lines suggested by the
Association, and it is to be hoped
that it will be done without fur-
ther delay. We are also glad to
note that the Association, among
its many activities, sent a letter
to the Water Authority "with re-
gard to the unsatisfactory posi-
tion in Kowloon on May 2 as to
water restriction," and we trust
that what is regarded as wrong
will very soon be put right. These
and other matters have been en-
gaging the attention of the
K.R.A. of late, all of which go to
prove that the Association is fill-
ing a long felt want in Kowloon.

Representative James M. Beck
Pennsylvania, in an address be-
fore the Washington Chapter of
the Sons of the Revolution, de-
clared that censorship of the radio
or moving pictures "before utter-
ance" was as damaging to the
American form of democracy as
censorship of the Press itself
would be. "So far as the free-
dom of thought is concerned,"
he continued, "what possible differ-
ence can it make whether
thought is conveyed by the Press
or by sound waves, or pictures?
In each case what is shackled is
the human mind, and if the ideals
of liberty mean anything, one
form of tyranny is as indefensi-
ble as another. In utilising
these beneficent gifts to mankind,
let us remember that the ideals of
the fathers, for the freedom of
speech and the freedom of the
Press, which are guaranteed by
the Constitution, are in the last
analysis, the freedom of thought
itself, and we must not emanci-
pate one form of thought, only to
put the shackles of governmental
oppression on another."—"The
Washington (D.C.) Post."

Two cases of small-pox were
notified yesterday.

sired to have a bath he intended
to take cement to build a bath!
A fine of \$20, with the alternative
of 14 days' imprisonment, was
imposed.

The Ordinance to amend the
constitution of the Hong Kong
and Shanghai Banking Corpora-
tion passed all remaining stages
and became law at yesterday's
meeting of the Legislative Coun-
cil.

A whist drive was held at the
Police Recreation Club yesterday.
For the ladies Mrs. Hartridge
came first, Mrs. Aris second, and
Mrs. Reynolds third. The prize
for the men was captured by Mr.
Phelps with Mr. Jones second and
Mr. Taylor third.

A case of attempted suicide oc-
curred yesterday, when a Chinese,
Ho Kwan (16) of 356 Queen's-
road, jumped into the harbour
from the Yaumati ferry launch
"Map Lee." Apparently when in
the matter for he swam back to
the launch unassisted.

A Chinese woman, Chin Yee
(32) of No. 20 Yee Wong-terrace,
was yesterday admitted into
the Government Civil Hospital suf-
fering from a severely crushed wrist
as the result of her hand being
accidentally caught in a spinning
jenny at the Hong Kong Rope
Works at Kennedy Town.

Passengers from Hong Kong on
the 4 p.m. Star Ferry yesterday
experienced some excitement in
mid-stream when, in swerving to
avoid a fishing boat, the launch in
which they were travelling scraped
a ferry crossing from Kowloon.
Some of the passengers were
greatly alarmed at the prospect of
a collision, but the two ferries
merely bumped each other and
neither suffered any damage.

A Northern Chinese who was
charged before Mr. N. L. Smith
at the Central Magistracy this
morning with unlawful possession
of a quantity of opium, said that
he had carried the contraband in
his shoes to suit his own con-
venience. Accused was on \$100
bail, and as the prosecution did
not wish to press the charge, a
fine of \$50 was imposed.

A case was heard at the Cen-
tral Magistracy against two
Chinese who were charged with
preparing and possessing raw
opium at No. 2, Titi Hong-lane.
Both accused denied the charges.
R. O. O'Neill said that he was
quite prepared not to press the
second charge. A sentence of
three months' imprisonment was
imposed on the first charge.

CHINESE WEDDING

CHURCH OF CHRIST CEREMONY

AU-CHEUNG

A very pretty wedding was
solemnised yesterday afternoon
at the Church of Christ in China,
Bonham-road, the contracting
parties being Mr. Daniel P. K. Au,
of the Sincere Co., Ltd., Shanghai,
son of the late Mr. Matthew Au
Leong and Mrs. Au, and Miss
Woon Ting-cheung, daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Cheung Sun-soo, of
69, Robinson-road. Rev. C. L.
Cheung officiated at the ceremony,
while Mr. W. H. Cheung ably dis-
patched the duties of best man.
The bride, who was given away
by her brother, Mr. W. K. Cheung,
was attended by Miss Cheung
Woon-pui as bridesmaid.
Mr. Au, who hails from St.
John's University, Shanghai, has
a host of friends in this Colony
having studied at Ying Wah Col-
lege prior to leaving for Shang-
hai. After completing his studies
at St. John's, he joined the well-
known department store and is
now one of the Directors of its
Shanghai branch. The bride is
an alumna of St. Stephen's Girls'
School and Italian Convent and is
specially versed in art.

A reception was held imme-
diately after the ceremony at the
Church House where the toast of
the bride and bridegroom was
heartily responded to.

In the evening Mr. David W. K.
Au, cousin of the groom, was host
to 300 guests at a dinner party at
the Man Kwok Restaurant in hon-
our of the newly married couple.
The honeymoon will be spent
at Hangchow.

MOTOR TAXATION

REPORT FOR GENERAL INFORMATION ONLY

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

At a meeting of the Legislative
Council held yesterday, the Hon.
Mr. J. P. Braga asked the follow-
ing questions relative to the pro-
posed motor taxation:—

1.—In view of the weight of
public opinion against the recom-
mendations of the Committee ap-
pointed to advise on the taxation
of motor-cars (S. P. 3/1929), is
it the intention of Government to
proceed with legislation on the
lines of the Committee's recom-
mendations?

2.—If so, will the Government
delay any legislation until it has
had time to receive representa-
tions which the recommendations
in question are likely to call forth
from the Automobile Association,
the motoring and oil trades and
transport companies operating in
Hong Kong and Kowloon, and
other interests affected?

3.—In the consideration of the
aforesaid recommendations will
the Government keep in view:—

- a very generally expressed opinion,
to which prominence was given in
a leading article of the "S. C. M.
Post" of May 2, that "one of the
primary needs of the Colony is de-
centralisation—development of
suburban residential areas particu-
larly—and for this cheap transport
is essential."
 - the possibility of an increase in
bus fares affecting the masses on
whom the proposed taxation may
fall most heavily and who are least
capable of bearing it;
 - the further rise in the high cost of
living in the Colony; and
 - the indirect blow at the free-trade
policy of the Colony, on which its
development and prosperity were
founded, by penalising one class of
motor-car manufacturers in favour
of another?
- 4.—Does the Government real-
ise that adoption of the recom-
mendations of the Committee
would be tantamount to increas-
ing the taxation on the average
car in the Colony by over 200 per
cent., thus tending to reduce the
efficiency and excellence of the
public service of motor-cars at
present conducted by owner-
drivers and discouraging, through
enormously increased operating
costs, private ownership?
- 5.—What was the actual quan-
tity of petrol imported in Hong
Kong in 1928 and what is the
estimated quantity for 1929 and
the value thereof?

Official Replies

The Colonial Secretary re-
plied:—

- 1 and 2.—The Government does not
propose to proceed immediately with
legislation for the introduction of tax-
ation of motor-cars as recommended by
the Committee. The report was pub-
lished for general information and the
Government is prepared to receive re-
presentations from interested parties.
- 3.—The Government will bear in
mind the observations made by the
honourable member.
- 4.—The Government has no proof of
the correctness of the premises on
which the honourable member bases his
pessimistic estimate of the effects of
the proposals suggested by the Com-
mittee.
- 5.—Exact figures are not available.
The amount imported for local con-
sumption in 1928 is estimated at 1,700,
000 gallons. The estimated consump-
tion in 1929 is 2,000,000 gallons.
Values vary according to price. At
the present retail price of 70 cents a
gallon the retail values would be
\$1,190,000 and \$1,400,000 respectively.

P'RAPs — P'RAPs NOT!

The eager student went up to
the lecturer's desk.
"Has anything actually been
discovered on Venus?" he asked.
"Not if the pictures and statues
are genuine," answered the ab-
sent-minded lecturer.

Miss Gushy entering a full
tram car, as Jorkins prepares to
rise): "Oh, don't get up—don't
get up! Please keep your seat."
Jorkins (slightly bewildered):
Like to oblige you, madam: but I
get out at this street!

Jimmy (proudly): Father,
we've only been beaten once this
year at cricket.
Father: Really, my son; that's
fine! How many games have you
played?
Jimmy: Oh, we're playing the
second to-morrow!

Lawyer: Was the man you
found under the tram car a total
stranger?
Witness (who had been told to
be careful): No, sir, his arm and
leg were gone; he was only a par-
tial stranger!

Don: What do you call a man
who drives a car?
Father: Well, it all depends
how close he comes to me.

The boy considered thoughtfully
some moments before speaking:
"I'm not sure, father, whether I
shall be a specialist for the eyes or
the teeth."
"Choose the teeth, my boy.
Everyone has thirty-two teeth,
but only two eyes. You'll have a
bigger field!"

A Negro minister was describ-
ing the miseries and the persist-
ence of the Prodigal Son.

"Dis young man got to thinkin'
'bout his meanness an' his misery,
an' he tuk off his 'at an' frowed
it away. Den he tuk off his vest
an' frowed dat away. Den he tuk
off his shirt an' frowed dat away,
too. An' den, at last, he come to
himself!"

You place the ball on a heap of
sand
Then step aside, with club in
hand
And make a swing as if to drive,
And miss it four times out of
five—
That's golf!

Nurse: Bobby! What would
your father say if he saw you'd
broken that branch off?

Bobby: He'd say trees are not
so well made now as they were
before the war!
"Look here!" cried the diner.
"Is this apple or plum tart?"
"Can't you tell by the taste,
sir?" asked the waiter.
"No, I can't!"
"Then, sir, why on earth does it
matter which it is?"

Jones: I think I'll run my wife
for Parliament.
Smith: Why?
Jones: Well, because she is so
handy introducing bills into the
house!

A very hard-to-please customer
was in a hatter's. He turned to the
assistant (who had brought nearly
every hat he has in the shop).
"You don't seem to have anything
to suit me," he said. "Here, how
do I look without one?"
At this the hatter fainted.

Willie: I have killed five flies—
two males and three females.
Betty: How do you know?
Willie: Two were on the table
and three on the mirror.

Teacher: If your father bought
a £10 radio set on the instalment
plan, and paid off 10s. a week, how
long would it take to pay it off?
Jimmy: Ten years.
Teacher: It down: you don't
know your lesson.
Jimmy: You don't know my
father!

Magistrate: Thirty days!
Prisoner: Oh, I know that one,
"Thirty days hath September."

Wife: Doesn't it seem strange,
John, that after all these years
I've never thought of a pet name
for you?
Husband (meekly): Yes, dear.
Why not "Job"?

Short: I say, old man, can you
lend me a fiver?
Longley: Impossible! I've
tried to lend you money several
times, but you always seem to
look upon it as a gift!

Father: Johnny, I see your
little brother has the small apple.
Did you let him have his choice,
as I told you to?

Son: Yes, father! I told him
he could have his choice—the
little one or neither—and he took
the little one.

FIRE BRIGADE

"STAFF ARE WELL PAID,"
SAYS GOVERNMENT

NO COMPLAINTS

That from the sub-officers downward to the Chinese staff of the Fire Brigade they are all well paid, was the interesting statement revealed at a meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday. Extracts from the report of the Chief Officer of the Brigade was read by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Acting Captain Superintendent of Police, in reply to the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, who asked:

1. Has the Captain Superintendent of Police had his attention drawn to the leading article in the "Hong Kong Daily Press" of May 7, alleging the standard of efficiency among the rank and file of the fire-brigade is low because nearly 50 per cent of the force leave the service every year by dismissal, resignation or desertion, and is that statement accurate?
2. Is it considered that the wages offered to firemen are such as to attract suitable recruits to the service, and have any complaints regarding the wages paid been brought to the notice of the authorities?
3. Besides the question of salaries, what other grounds, if any, exist for dissatisfaction with the conditions of service in the Fire Brigade Sub-department of the Police?

The Replies

The Captain Superintendent of Police had perused the article in the "Hong Kong Daily Press" of May 7. In 1928 the casualties through resignation, desertion and dismissal were 31, 14 and 21 respectively, making a total of 66. The authorized establishment (Chinese) in 1928 was 240. The casualties under the same head during 1927 were 11, 23 and 14 respectively, making a total of 48. The figures for 1929 up to April 30, are 5, 19 and 10 respectively, making a total of 34. It is thus seen that the casualties under the above heads approximate to 25 per cent, and not 50 per cent, of strength. The following is an extract from the Annual Report of the Chief Officer, Fire Brigade, on the year 1927:

"Recruits. The difficulty in connection with recruits for the Fire Brigade has now disappeared although vacancies are still of frequent occurrence owing to the ease with which men can leave the Brigade if they wish to do so, i.e., on one month's notice."

5 Years' Agreement

Up to the end of 1928 firemen were on a monthly engagement. It was then decided that, owing to the large number of men who left the Brigade, for one reason or another, after short periods of service, all Chinese members of the Brigade should be called upon to sign an agreement for five years' service, and provide a security of from \$25 to \$100 for the keeping of the agreement. This accounts for the large number of resignations in 1929. Members were given the option of resigning or signing a five years' agreement. The places of those men have already been filled with the exception of seven; for these last places there are already seven candidates whose characters are at the moment under investigation.

Salary Adequate

2.—It is considered that the wages offered to the Chinese staff of the Fire Brigade, in comparison with the wages ruling in other branches of Government service, are adequate. In a report dated December, 1928, the Chief Officer wrote: "There have been several revisions of pay to the Chinese staff, and I consider that they are all from Sub-Officers downwards, well paid. I do not advocate any increase in emoluments over and above any granted generally to Chinese Government employees, irrespective of the departments they are working in. Representatives of the various ranks of the Fire Brigade attended before the Salaries Commission which has recently concluded its sittings. No complaints regarding wages have been brought to the notice of the authorities."

Physical Strength

3.—The three principal causes of casualties in the Fire Brigade are:—(a) the work entails a bigger physical strain than candidates anticipate. (b) The discipline and confinement to Station, which the work entails. (c) The ease with which a candidate could formerly obtain and discard \$20 a month and lodging. As to (a), most of these casualties cannot be avoided; it sometimes happens that a man is prepared to continue in the Brigade, but the Superintendent has to turn him away, after trial, because he has not the requisite physical strength. It is a debatable question whether higher pay would overcome this difficulty. Higher pay might attract a more intelligent class of candidate, but it is highly probable that he would possess a lower standard of physical strength and nerve. (b) The Chinese mind does not take kindly to Fire Brigade discipline. The demands of their duty are recognized by the grant to firemen of 24 hours leave every six days. (c) This difficulty has been met; it is hoped, by the institution of a five years' agreement.

\$2,000—THEN \$400

ALLEGATION AGAINST CHINESE CONSTABLE

At the Central Magistracy, yesterday, a Chinese constable was charged with misconduct in that he posed as a Revenue Officer and demanded \$2,000 from an employee of a Chinese wine shop at Yau-mat, under threats of arresting him for possession of wine duty labels.

According to the evidence, when the employee said that he did not have so much money, the accused "almost in one breath" reduced his demand to \$400. The employee pretended to go and fetch the money. He communicated with another employee, who informed the manager. The latter telephoned to the Police and accused was arrested. The case was adjourned until Wednesday.

SUMMING-UP

(Continued from Page 1.)

cross-examination was of the utmost importance because a witness played a great part in the administration of justice. It was essential for both sides to indulge in severity.

Now Tsang On-wing had been also severely cross-examined by an expert counsel like Mr. Jenkin, and so far as his demeanour in the witness box went, one must admit that Tsang caused no one to doubt him. His answers to all the questions put to him had been frank.

At the conclusion of the summing up the jury were permitted to leave for fifteen before considering their verdict.

Mr. Potter Continues

Continuing his final address to the jury yesterday afternoon, Mr. Potter said that there was no foundation whatever to support the trick theory. If there was a trick did the jury believe that Yeo, in his trial, would not have told Mr. Jenkin all about it? "If Yeo could not tell you, do you think Mr. Jenkin can?" Nonsense! I know my friend, Mr. Jenkin, and if he had had any trick he would have put it up. There is no more ingenious counsel at the Bar in this Colony. If he could have devised a trick that would have held water for the special jury trying the case, he would have done it."

The trouble was, added Mr. Potter, that Yeo would have expected Yeo to have offered the trick in the witness box and he would have been torn to pieces by the Crown.

Beastly Suggestion

Mr. Potter commented it was hard to suggest Mr. Messer was lying in face of his sworn evidence that he had not signed the cheques and had never signed blank cheques. Mr. Potter added he did not intend any rudeness to Mr. Jenkin but it was a beastly suggestion. It was not a nice word but he could not think of a better one at the moment. If a man signed cheques in blank he deserved to be dismissed from the Treasury within an hour's notice. Was Mr. Messer's word taken as a denial?—No. Was there a scintilla of evidence?—No. Mr. Black and Mr. Messer had said emphatically that they had never signed cheques in blank and Mr. Messer was not cross-examined on it.

If Mr. Jenkin wanted to say that Mr. Messer was a liar, let him come out and say so if he wanted to. The law was no respecter of persons.

"If you don't accept his word tell him he is a liar instead of waiting until another witness goes into the box. I am sure Mr. Jenkin would not be intentionally unfair but he has, at least been unwittingly unfair to him on that point and he has never withdrawn it."

Men Born of Woman

With regard to Mr. Messer's writing, counsel for the defence had stated that "no man born of woman" but Mr. Messer could have signed the cheques. Counsel would ask "What man born of woman stole the cheques on which the signatures appeared?" (Laughter).

After dealing with points in Mr. Messer's signature, Mr. Potter said that there were points on which a forger might trip up, and he had. In Mr. Black's signature there were three combinations which no trick could produce, and added that there was the theft of the cheques. Counsel quoted an extract from a standard law book to show the evidence of experts on handwriting should be accepted with more caution than that of expert evidence on other matters. He had no wish to belittle Dr. Shellshear, for whom he had the greatest respect, but Dr. Shellshear could only be described as a "young expert in handwriting."

Counsel referred to Dr. Shellshear holding to one opinion at a certain time and then changing that opinion. He asked what value could be attached to such evidence.

According to Dr. Shellshear, pen pressure in Tsang's writing was not existent at first. Yet they depended on this later to prove their case!

Mr. Potter, in closing, stressed the importance of the case to the Treasury officials concerned, and said that he would be surprised if the jury brought a verdict against these gentlemen. The evidence on one side was overwhelming.

Two Chinese foks in the employment of a sub-contractor who, with Lam Woo & Co., are engaged in the erection of a stone wall in West Point, were charged before Mr. N. L. Smith at the Central Magistracy this morning with the theft of a bag of cement, valued at about \$2 from a match-shed belonging to Lam Woo. First accused said that as he de-

visitors to the last day of the Selangor Turf Club meeting recently included H.H. the Sultan of Perak, Sir William and Lady Peel, and the Hon. Mr. C. W. H. Cochrane.

THE PAWNSHOP

CORONETS AND DIAMOND TIARAS

LOANS ON CIGARS

Describing some of the queer things London people pawn—how coronets, family plate, and heirlooms find their way from the homes of the nobility to the pawnshop, how a woman pledged her luxury saloon motor car, and how other women use the pawnbroker as a summer store for their fur coats, a leading London pawnbroker has been telling me some of his secrets (writes an "Evening Standard" representative). He said:—

"It is not only the working classes who are hard-up nowadays. So greatly are some of the members of well-known families feeling the pinch that they are pawning or selling their treasures."

"In the last year or so I have had several coronets and diamond tiaras pawned, and it is quite common to be asked to advance money on valuable jewellery, gold boxes, lockets, antique silver, pictures, miniatures, and family heirlooms."

"One day a woman drove up to my premises in a beautiful saloon car, and calmly asked me if I would take it in pawn. 'I advanced her \$300 on it, and had it driven round to a garage. Some weeks afterwards the woman redeemed it, and paid the garage rent in addition to the interest."

"I was not so lucky over a similar transaction before the War. A sporting man asked me to accept a horse and gig for a loan, and I agreed. 'I had it looked after at stables in the West End. That horse simply ate its head off, and when I had to have it sold I was well out of pocket."

"There are in London to-day many women who regard the pawnbroker as a convenient storekeeper for their furs in summer. Regularly every spring they bring us their furs, and secure some nominal advance on them. 'They know that we will put the furs in cold storage during the hot weather and look after them carefully. They regard the interest charged as money well spent in the upkeep of their clothes. 'At the first cold snap they are back to redeem their coats."

"I have often advanced money on cigars, wines and champagnes, and it used to be quite common for some pawnbrokers to advance money to wholesalers on chests of tea, barrels of butter and even stocks of tins of sardines."

"I have even known the proprietors of a laundry who regularly every Monday pawned their flatirons for fourpence each, then took them out again on Friday to do their ironing."

"Among the most pathetic case are the people—usually women—who pawn some treasured trinket, and then for sentimental reasons go on paying the interest for years in the hope of eventually being able to redeem their property. 'I have known them to pay this interest for many years. Then the payments suddenly cease."

PRINCESS ELIZABETH

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY GIFT FROM QUEEN

London April 21.

When Princess Elizabeth wakes up on her third birthday, she will find her nursery crowded with toys and presents of every description.

Two special gifts have been sent from Craigweil House, the Queen's being a clockwork monkey. There has been an air of suppressed excitement in the nursery for some days and the Princess has been eagerly awaiting the great day.

The Princess, who is utterly unspoiled, loves playing with the most simple little toys. At Christmas, when hundreds of gifts of dolls, animals and elaborate mechanical toys were sent her, the one that gave her most delight was the four sugar mice on the Christmas cake.

The British Army beat the French Army at Rugby by 21 points to 8. An unusual feature of the match was the scoring of a try by the British full-back.

The Rev. G. H. Douglas is to be succeeded as minister of the Presbyterian Church, Singapore, by the Rev. Stephen Band.

Huge masses of ice which were floating down the Rhine recently crushed big barges like matchwood.

Margaret Gibb, a "Slamese twin," of Newark, New Jersey, has applied for a marriage licence.

Mr. J. Scott Taggart has arrived at Lausanne after flying aloft in his light aeroplane from London.

Colonel Lindbergh recently left Mexico City on a flight to Brownsville, Texas, with mails and passengers.

"THE COSSACKS"

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BARBARIC THEME

Starring John Gilbert and Renee Adoree of "The Big Parade" fame together again, "The Cossacks" is an able successor, and should, if anything, be voted a greater picture by those who have seen and can compare both pictures. "The Cossacks" will long remain in one's memory and may be placed in the category of the much-misused word "super-film."

Produced by George Hill on a lavish scale, we see Gilbert as a Cossack, who contrary to traditions, is not a Cossack in the true sense of the word. He has never been in battle, has never smelled blood, and has no intention of doing so! However, a dramatic change in his whole disposition and outlook of life is effected when he is forcibly humiliated with all his country-folk as jeering witnesses. Gilbert then goes to war with the Turks and gains fame!

The theme is barbaric, and the care-free spirit of the Cossacks is well maintained. Fierce in battle, laughing at wounds, the Cossacks, even against odds, plunge into battle. Some really splendid battle and village scenes are screened.

Love interest is not wanting, being well provided for by Renee Adoree, whilst Ernest Torrence as father of Gilbert and a fierce chief, is all that one can desire.

MAJESTIC THEATRE

CHINESE MAGICIANS FOR TO-MORROW & SUNDAY

"Flaming Waters" will be shown at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon, to-morrow and Sunday. There will also be an added attraction, as the Wong Won-sang Chinese Magicians, will appear at all performances. There will be the usual prices.

ROME'S HIGH-DAY

PAST MASTERS IN THE ART OF PRODIGALITY

For extravagant living the records of the ancient Romans will probably never be surpassed. There was Nero, for instance, who had a thousand carriages at his command and often took them all along with him when he went on a journey.

His mules were shod with silver and his servants bedecked with gold. He dwelt, "Like a man," in a palace with porticoes a mile long and a vestibule large enough to hold a statue of himself one hundred and thirty feet high. Poppaea, Nero's wife, maintained a herd of five hundred sea-asses, at home and abroad, to supply milk for her daily bath. Caligula's favourite horse wore a purple harness and a collar of pearls and had a marble stall with a trough of ivory.

Roasted Song Birds

In Cicero's time there was a spend-thrift, given to the pleasures of the table, who paid a fabulous sum for a dish of roasted song birds. Caligula is said to have squandered a hundred times that amount on a single repast. Mark Antony bestowed a city of thirty-five thousand population upon a chief who had prepared for him an especially well-cooked meal.

Nero had an acquaintance who owned a wine ladle that was made of a substance called murra and was worth a king's ransom. Rather than let the precious article fall into another's hands, he dramatically and most effectively smashed it to pieces, when about to die.

Silver Gridirons

Fish was a popular food of the Romans and most of the mansions of the wealthy had built-in pools stocked with a living supply. The finny creatures were caught on gold hooks and broiled on silver gridirons, usually in sight of dinner guests. Some of the fish, mullet, for example, were worth a goodly sum apiece. Yet these were an insignificant item on a bill of fare of any pretensions. Costly dishes such as flamingo tongues, peacock brains and parrot heads topped a list of exotic delicacies. Caesar served a typical Roman full-course dinner to sixty-six thousand persons during the ceremonies attending the burial of a daughter. The Statesman Crassus gave one to which he invited all the citizens of Rome.

Emperor Augustus laid claim to public gratitude by exhibiting eight thousand gladiators and brought more than thirty-five hundred wild beasts to be killed in the arena.

In the course of the festivities instituted by Titus to celebrate the opening of the Colosseum five thousand beasts were let loose.

Where in modern annals can one find parallels to such extravagance?

Two regiments of Gen. Hsiung Hsi-hui's 5th Division have been despatched to Quinsan and other places along the Shanghai-Nanking Railway for defensive purposes.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL"

ENTERTAINMENTS

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "The Cossacks".

To-day—World Theatre; "The Street Angel".

To-day—Star Theatre; "A Kiss For Cinderella".

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "Circus Rookies".

May 18—Star Theatre; "Rookery Nook". 9.15 p.m.

Home Mails

To-morrow—Outward for Straits, Africa and Europe via Marseilles ("Kamo Maru"), 9.30 a.m.

May 19—Inward from Europe via Negapatam ("Medon").

Land Sale

May 21—At P.W.D. Offices, one lot of Crown land at Shamshui, 3 p.m.

Sport

May 18 & 20—Fifth extra race meeting of H.K. Jockey Club, Happy Valley.

Lammerts Auction
May 21—At Sales Room, Duddell St., postage stamps, 5.15 p.m.

May 22—At Sales Room, valuable household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

May 22—At Godown No. 18, H.K. & Kowloon Wharf Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, miscellaneous goods 10.30 a.m.

May 23—At 3, Tregunter Mansions, (May-rd.) household furniture.

Meetings

To-day—Half-yearly meeting of voting members of H.K. Jockey Club, H.K. Club Annex, 5.10 p.m.

May 22—Victoria Recreation Club meeting, 6 p.m.

May 23—Forty-eighth ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Canton Insurance Office Ltd., Messrs. Jardine's offices, noon.

May 24—Meetings of Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., and British Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., at Union Bldg., 11 a.m., 11.15 a.m., and 11.20 a.m., respectively.

Miscellaneous

May 30—Dinner at Hong Kong Hotel to serving and ex-officers of the Royal Engineers.

The Chinese papers say that the farmers are very elated over the timely rains which fell recently as they now have sufficient water in their fields to plant rice, says the "N. C. Daily News" to hand.

A Chinese Friendship Tour Group will leave for the United States by the str. "President Grant" on August 10. The members will consist of merchants and tourists.

The strike of 1,400 employees in second hand shops in Shanghai continues.

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KAI TACK TRAGEDY

ERROR OF JUDGMENT BY PILOT

"ACCELERATE EXTENSION"

A verdict of "Death by misadventure" was yesterday afternoon returned by the Coroner's jury which sat with Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith to inquire into the circumstances attending the deaths of three Chinese. They were killed as the result of an aeroplane accident at the Kai Tack aerodrome on the evening of April 27. A Fairey plane piloted by Lieut. A. O. Watson, R.N., crashed through the fence at the landing stage and then hit a tea shed when landing on its return from escorting H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester on the latter's departure from the Colony on H.M.S. "Suffolk."

A Wrong Impression
In his address to the jury, the Coroner said that there was a wrong impression in the Colony that the aerial escort accompanied H.M.S. "Suffolk" beyond Lyeemooon Pass and that by the time the planes returned to the Aerodrome it was too dark to effect a proper landing. This had been exploded as untrue by the evidence. The flight had not gone beyond Kowloon Bay and when they returned to the Aerodrome it was 6.40 p.m. and it was not dark, although the light was beginning to fail. Lieut. Watson could see the boundary fence clearly.

When Lieut. Watson touched the ground in an attempt to land he was only about 200 yards from the boundary fence. He realised that he would not be able to pull up and he accordingly put on full throttle in an attempt to rise. He was too low to turn, and both his passengers, Sergeant Kent and A.B. Gibbs said that to take off again was quite a feasible thing to do. The pilot had only two alternatives—to run into the fence or attempt to take off again. "I think it is almost impossible to say which was the right thing to do," said the Coroner. The speed at which the plane landed has a great bearing on the question. On preparing for landing, a plane we learn, travels at 70 m.p.h. and at about 55 when about to touch the ground. Even after touching, it is still travelling at 45 m.p.h. That means, with the fence 200 yards ahead, the pilot had to think like lightning and make up his mind with great speed. As far as I can see in this case, the error was more an error of landing too far over. Squadron Leader Keeble said he might have landed 200 yards further back. I submit it was only a slight error of judgment. A slight error of judgment in flight may have very serious

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MONEY AND SHARES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

On London—	
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Bank, 30 days sight	—
Bank, 4 months sight	1/11 1/2
Credits, 4 months sight	2/- 1/4
Documentary 4 months sight	2/- 1/2
On Paris—	
On demand	1202 1/2
Credits, 4 months sight	1277 1/2
On Berlin—	
On demand	—
On New York—	
On demand	47 1/2
Credits, 60 days sight	48 3/4
On Bombay—	
Wire	129 3/4
On demand	129 3/4
On Calcutta—	
Wire	129 3/4
On demand	129 3/4
On Singapore—	
On demand	83 3/4
On Manila—	
On demand	94 1/2
On Shanghai—	
On demand	79 3/4
30 day's sight (private paper)	—
On Yokohama—	
On demand	105
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael)	—
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	9.95
Silver (per oz.)	25 3/16
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	—
Copper Cash	3% Prem.
Chinese Copper Cents 6% Prem.	—
Rate of Native Interest	7% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	30 3/4% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin Par.	—

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Yesterday.	
Paris	124.15
New York	4.85 1/16
Brussels	34.935
Geneva	25.185
Amsterdam	12.78
Milan	92.65
Berlin	20.46
Stockholm	18.165
Copenhagen	18.205
Oslo	18.195
Vienna	34.54
Prague	163 1/2
Helsingfors	193 1/2
Madrid	34.155
Lisbon	108 1/2
Athens	575
Rio	5 57/64
Buenos Aires	47 5/16
Bombay	1/5 29/32
Shanghai	2/6 1/4
Hong Kong	1/11 1/4
Yokohama	1/10 3/32
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consequences but the gravity of the consequences cannot be regarded as a measure of the responsibility.

The Verdict

In returning their verdict, as above, the jury expressed sympathy with the relatives, with which the Coroner was pleased to associate himself.

The verdict added that an error of judgment affected the landing and the pilot discovered he had insufficient room and it was too late to take off again.

The Jury also added the following rider to their verdict:—

"That in the opinion of the Jury, although the extent of the Aerodrome is adequate for normal purposes, the margin of safety is too small and the work of extensions should be accelerated as much as possible.

"They consider in the meantime, that flights of a considerable number of aeroplanes for demonstrations should be avoided, as that is likely to attract people unnecessarily to the Aerodrome."

"DORA" HOURS

LATER TOBACCO SALES IN LIVERPOOL

GOOD EXAMPLE

Liverpool City Council decided to make an order allowing tobacconists to keep their shops open until 10 p.m. on Saturdays and 9.30 p.m. on other days.

These hours are in substitution for 8 p.m., the general closing hour for shops under the Shops (Hours of Closing) Act, 1928.

The Act states that a local authority may substitute hours not later than 10 p.m. on the late day and 9.30 on any other day "if they are satisfied that such an order is desired by the occupiers of at least two-thirds in number of the shops to be affected by the order."

Liverpool tobacconists recently presented a petition to the local watch committee asking for later hours.

Liverpool is the first city to alter the "Dora" hours.

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Shanghai Cottons (old)

Shanghai Cottons (new)

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H.K. Lands

Shanghai Lands

Humphreys' Estates

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ROWDY "REDS"

WILD STRUGGLE AT CONFERENCE

COMMUNIST CARRIED OUT

There was an exciting struggle at the conference of the National Amalgamated Union of Shop Assistants, Warehousemen, and Clerks, at Reading recently when Mr. C. B. Pountney, a former official, who had been expelled for Communist activities, was carried out of the room.

The conference was discussing the action which had resulted in the expulsion of Communist members, when Mr. Pountney brushed aside the doorkeepers and rushed into the room, dragging with him the stewards who seized him. He struggled vigorously and shouted that he wished to make a statement objecting to his expulsion from the union.

Delegates rose from their seats, and many shouted excitedly, "Get outside." The struggle went on, and a steward had his spectacles knocked off, but he held on firmly to Mr. Pountney.

Mr. H. J. Aynsely, the president, asked the stewards to remove Mr. Pountney. Then, during the commotion, a Mr. Feather walked into the room and shouted, "I want to protest." He also was seized.

Mr. Pountney, struggling and protesting, was carried out by half a dozen stewards, and Mr. Feather was also escorted from the room.

The conference, adopting the executive's report on the action taken against Communist and National Minority Movement members.



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Canton is again in the throes of war, being invaded by the Kwangsi forces, who appear at one time to have been perilously near taking the city. Later reports show that the Kwangtung armies, supported by gunboats and aeroplanes, have scored some victories.

Owing to its proximity to Hong Kong there is as on former occasions, a tremendous amount of interest being shown in the struggle, which will concern former residents at Home, besides numerous others with direct or indirect interests in this Colony or Kwangtung. The whole struggle is intelligently reported in the "Overland China Mail."

Shipping circles will be greatly interested in the report of the Committee appointed a few months ago to consider various aspects of river steamers, such as the engagements of master and mates, pilots, measurements, and so forth. The full report is published in the "Overland China Mail," which should be carefully preserved.

Legal, banking, and Government people have followed with close interest the progress of the suit brought by the Treasury against the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. The evidence during the week has been noteworthy on account of the searching cross-examination of the Bank's expert on handwriting, Professor Shellshear. Copies of the "Overland China Mail" with the full report should be filed.

The bogey of motor taxation has raised considerable fear that the report of the Committee to the Government implies certain action. Considerable opposition to the project has been ventilated in the "Overland China Mail."

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Sport Columns

HOME CRICKET

KENT DEFEAT LEICESTERSHIRE EASILY

WIN FOR DERBYSHIRE

London, Yesterday. In the match against Kent, at Leicester, Leicestershire took first lease of the wicket, but could muster a score of only 99. Kent responded with 133 runs. In the second innings Leicestershire scored 109, the play being marked by a remarkable bowling feat by A. P. Freeman, who accounted for no fewer than seven wickets for only 11 runs. This left Kent with the modest score of 76 to get to win, and this they did without losing a wicket. They thus won by 10 wickets.

Derbyshire v. Hampshire

In their match at Portsmouth against Derbyshire Hampshire batted first and scored 110 runs. T. B. Mitchell was mainly responsible for the score being kept down, as he captured six wickets at the cost of 42 runs.

Derbyshire suffered a debacle on going to the wicket, being all dismissed for only 99 runs, thanks to Kennedy taking nine wickets for 46 runs.

Hampshire, in their second venture, scored only one run more than in their first innings, namely, 111.

Left with 122 runs to ensure victory, Derbyshire did the needful after five wickets had fallen, then winning the match by five wickets.—Reuter.

HOME RACING

LATEST LOCAL PRICES FOR THE DERRY

The following prices for the Derby are quoted locally:—

10-1	Mr. Jinks
6-1	Cragadour
10-1	Gay Day
14-1	Brienz
25-1	Artist's Proof
33-1	Reflector
18-1	Redsmouth
25-1	Midlothian
25-1	Rattler the Reeler
33-1	En Garde
12-1	Kopl
25-1	Eudaemon
33-1	Bulland Bala
25-1	Empire Builder
33-1	Grand Terrace
30-1	Race Dale
30-1	Trigo
25-1	Black Abbot
33-7	Osiris
18-1	Bosworth
38-1	Glastonbury
25-1	Knight Errand
30-1	Cliron
25-1	La Fayette
30-1	Cuttlefish
40-1	Totalisator
50-1	Cavendo
50-1	Larking
20-1	Tom Peartree
50-1	Roligrey
50-1	Great Scott
50-1	Aristotles
18-1	Hunters Moon

BILLIARDS

ST. PETER'S Y.M. CLUB BEAT CRAIGENGOWER

A billiard match played at the St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club between the St. Peter's Club and the Craigengower Cricket Club on Wednesday last resulted in a victory for the home team.

The result was as follows:—
St. Peter's Craigengower
Lau Fuchang 200 J. M. V. Ribeiro 182
P. Paterson 200 A. Kitchell 30
E. Zimmern 200 J. M. A. Razack 120
Choy Wai-chuen 200 Henry Kew 104
G. Kotewall 200 E. C. Reed 132
F. R. Zimmern 200 H. Beer 141

Return Match

In the return billiard match between the Catholic Union and H.M.S. "Cornwall" the former team won by a margin of 127 points.

SPORTS CLUB

FORMAL OPENING OF BILLIARD ROOM

DERBY WINNER'S GIFT

Yesterday, Mr. W. T. Southern officiated at the formal opening of the billiard room (for which Mr. Ho Kom-tong presented a table to commemorate the winning of the Hong Kong Derby this year by "President Hall") at the Sports Club.

Mr. H. H. H. Priestley (Chairman), on behalf of the members, thanked Mr. Ho Kom-tong for his gift.

The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern formally declared the billiards room open. He intimated that he had been asked by the committee of the Club to take part in the first game—billiards—against the benefactor. Although he did not know Mr. Ho Kom-tong's ability,

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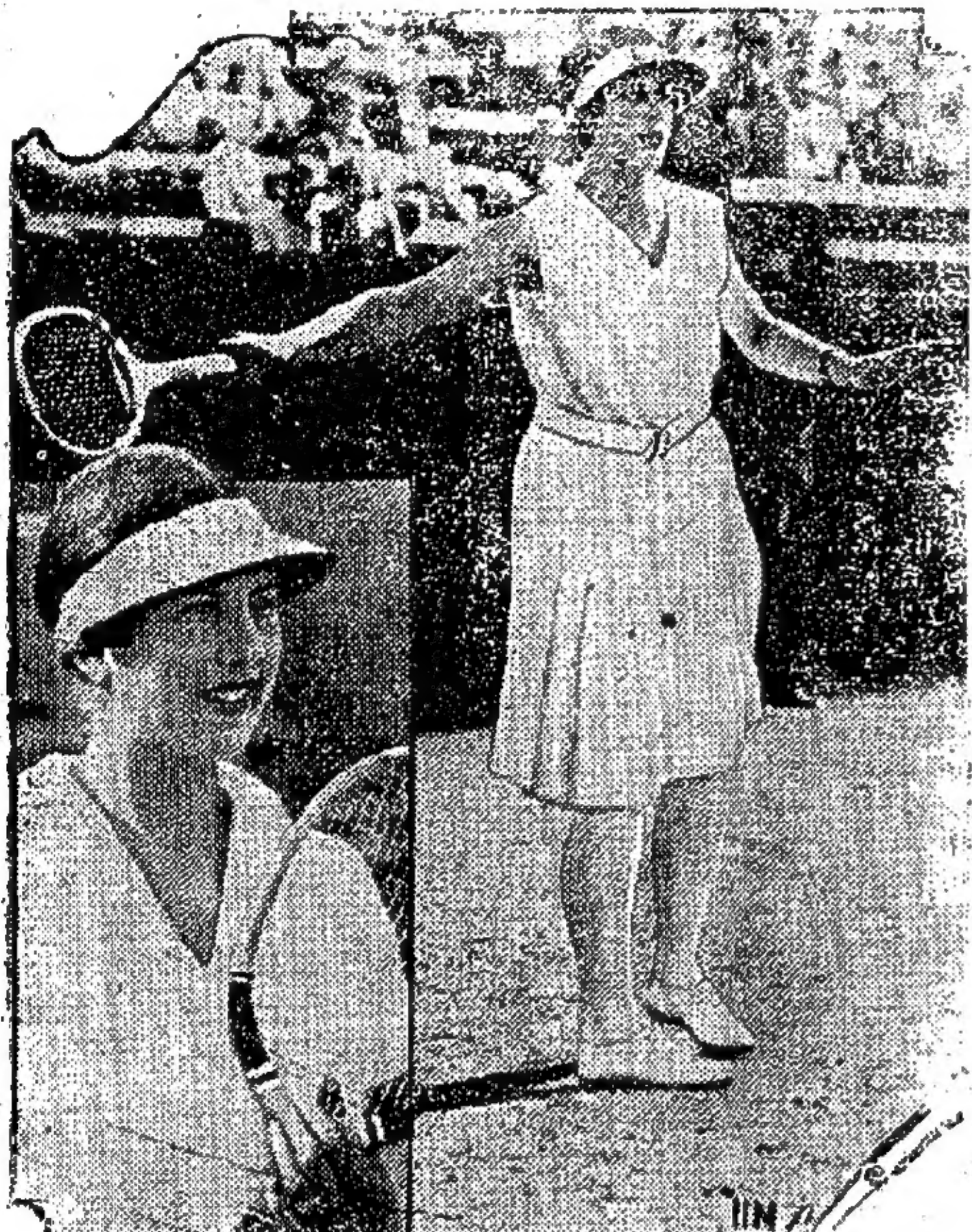
ITALIANS DEFEAT IRISH AT DUBLIN

SECOND ROUND

Dublin, Yesterday. In the Davis Cup competition (second round) H. de Morpurgo (Italy) beat G. Rogers (Ireland), 8-6, 6-1, 5-7, 6-2.

G. de Stefani (Italy) beat E. McGuire (Ireland), 6-4, 4-6, 8-6, 4-6, 8-6.

Hungary Defeated Monaco Budapest, Yesterday. In the Davis Cup contest Hungary eliminated Monaco by three matches to two.—Reuter.



Edith Cross, Pacific coast tennis star, is practising daily at Berkeley, Cal., with Champion Helen Wills, last, for their projected invasion of the courts of Europe where they expect to cut a wide swath among foreign female competitors.

BOXING

RESULTS OF THREE BOUTS AT OLYMPIA

HARVEY BEATS IRELAND

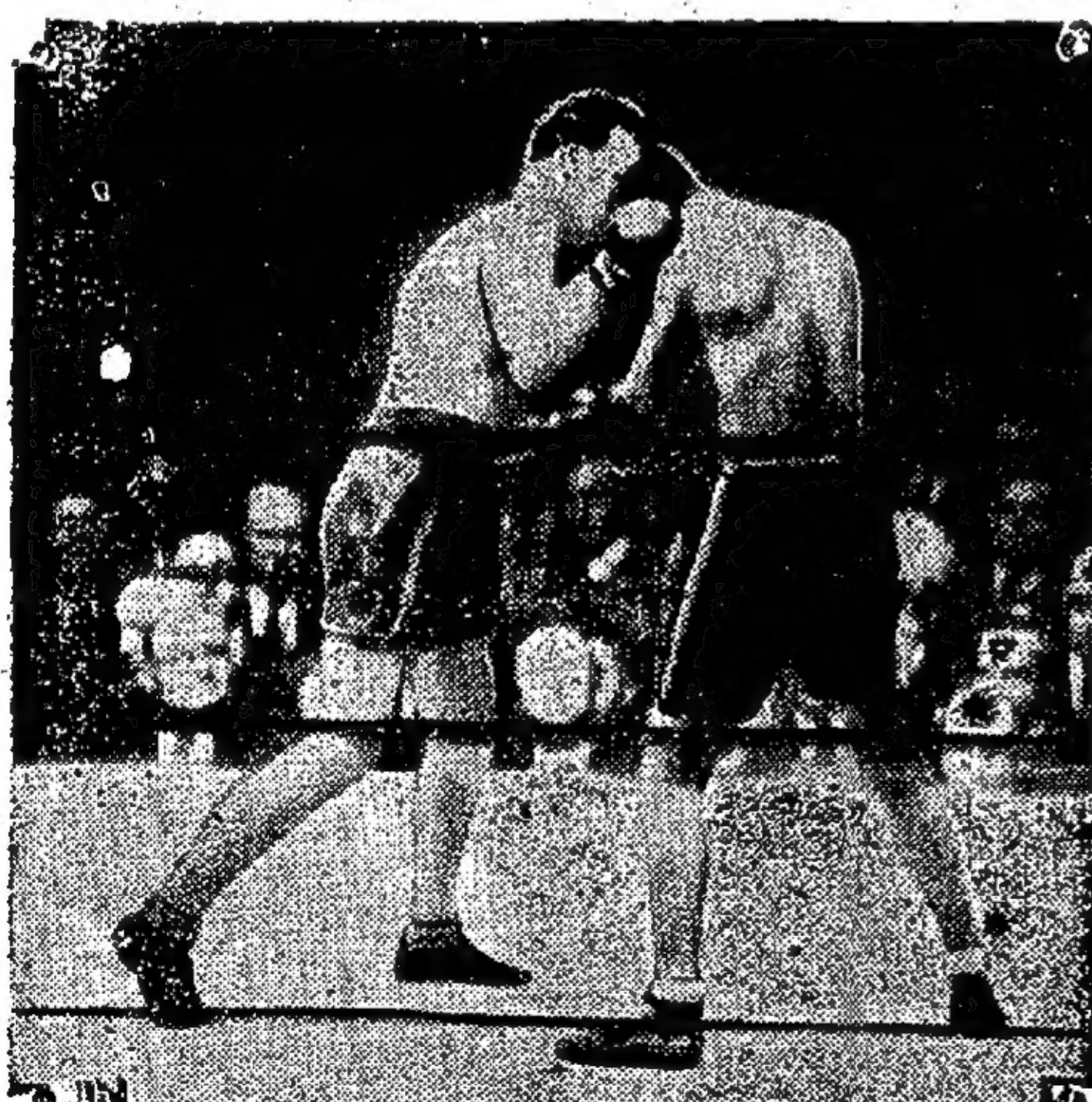
London, Yesterday. At Olympia to-night Len Harvey, of London, met Alex Ireland (Scotland) holder of the European and British middle-weight crown, in a bout of 15 rounds. Harvey knocked out Ireland in the seventh round.

Harry Corbett (Bethnal Green), holder of the British featherweight title, opposed the ex-title holder Johnny Cuthbert,

he himself took an hour and a half to score a hundred. He had, therefore, suggested a game of snooker.

Mr. Southorn and Mr. Ho Kom-tong indulged in a game of snooker with partners. The game resulted in a win for Mr. Southorn, who invited the company to drink with him in celebration of the occasion.

of Sheffield in a match of 15 rounds. Cuthbert won on points. Kid Pattenden (Bethnal Green), holder of the British bantamweight championship, met Teddy Baldock, the Poplar boxer, also in a 15-rounds bout. Baldock won on points.—Reuter.



A coloured supporter of Young Jack Thompson started a riot at the old coliseum at Chicago in which twenty were injured and six of them seriously. After the uproar subsided, Fields went out to win the unofficial world's welterweight title by a wide margin.

A Banvard Artiste

C. Vivian Wallace—popular artiste with the Banvard English Comedy Company, which opens at the Star tomorrow night with the screamingly funny farce, "Rookery Nook." On Sunday, "The Fanatics" will be staged. On the occasion of its previous showing here, the house was booked up days in advance.

Monday's attraction will be "Thark," while on Tuesday "Diversion" will be presented for the first time in Hong Kong.

After a four nights' season at the Star, the Company will transfer to the Theatre Royal for three nights, May 22, 23, and 24. Plans are at Moutrie's and Star and the prices are: \$3, \$2 and \$1.



GOLF

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY AND MONDAY

The Royal Hong Kong Golf Club notifies the following starting times:—

Sunday	
9.28 a.m.	E. D. Lawrence, K. S. Morrison
9.32	J. S. Dykes, E. P. Fletcher
9.36	L. Yates, H. C. Shrubsole
9.40	I. H. Geare, K. E. Greig
9.44	R. P. Moodie, M. B. Mathews
9.48	E. D. Black, G. D. Mead
9.52	W. J. Clerk, H. V. Parker
9.56	Capt. Dobbie, J. Cameron
10.00	J. Hall, N. H. Prockter
10.04	E. B. Tyler, M. D. Scott
10.08	S. T. Butlin, J. W. Alabaster
10.12	C. T. Fowle, P. Jacks
10.16	G. Mitchell, E. M. Bryden
10.20	H. R. Start, E. J. Lacon
10.24	A. Leach, K. Dugan
10.28	A. G. Coppin, A. D. Coppin

Whit Monday

9.28 a.m.	G. B. Tyler, N. H. Prockter
9.32	E. D. Black, F. M. Ellis
9.36	G. Davidson, P. Jacks
9.40	A. Leach, I. H. Geare
9.44	A. B. Purves, Major Beamish
9.48	H. C. Hegarty, C. H. Eldridge
9.52	R. A. Green, F. H. Swayne
9.56	G. W. Garrett, G. E. Mitchell
10.00	E. P. Fletcher, E. D. Mathews
10.04	R. W. D. Danby, R. M. Wood

ROWING

TIENTSIN'S INTERPORT CREWS FOR SHANGHAI

Referring to the interport crews being sent by Tientsin to compete in the Shanghai Spring Regatta, the "North China Standard" says:—A general marked improvement in the eight has been noticed during the last few days, but there is still one bad fault remaining, and that is in the recovery, which is far too slow. This is particularly brought out when a faster rate of stroking is attempted. There is also a tendency to hang before entering the water at the beginning of the stroke. On a recent Saturday afternoon a long row to a point about eight miles down river and back was undertaken. The paddle back against wind and tide was a really creditable performance. The excellent physical condition of the crew was well demonstrated by the way in which this row was accomplished. Little work has so far been done in the four which has been provisionally selected as follows:—H. Rothkahl, Bow; H. Weicken, 2; E. Wickerson, 3; G. Morton, Stroke.

It is thought Miss Eileen Bennett may have to undergo an operation for tonsillitis.



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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

New Attorney General



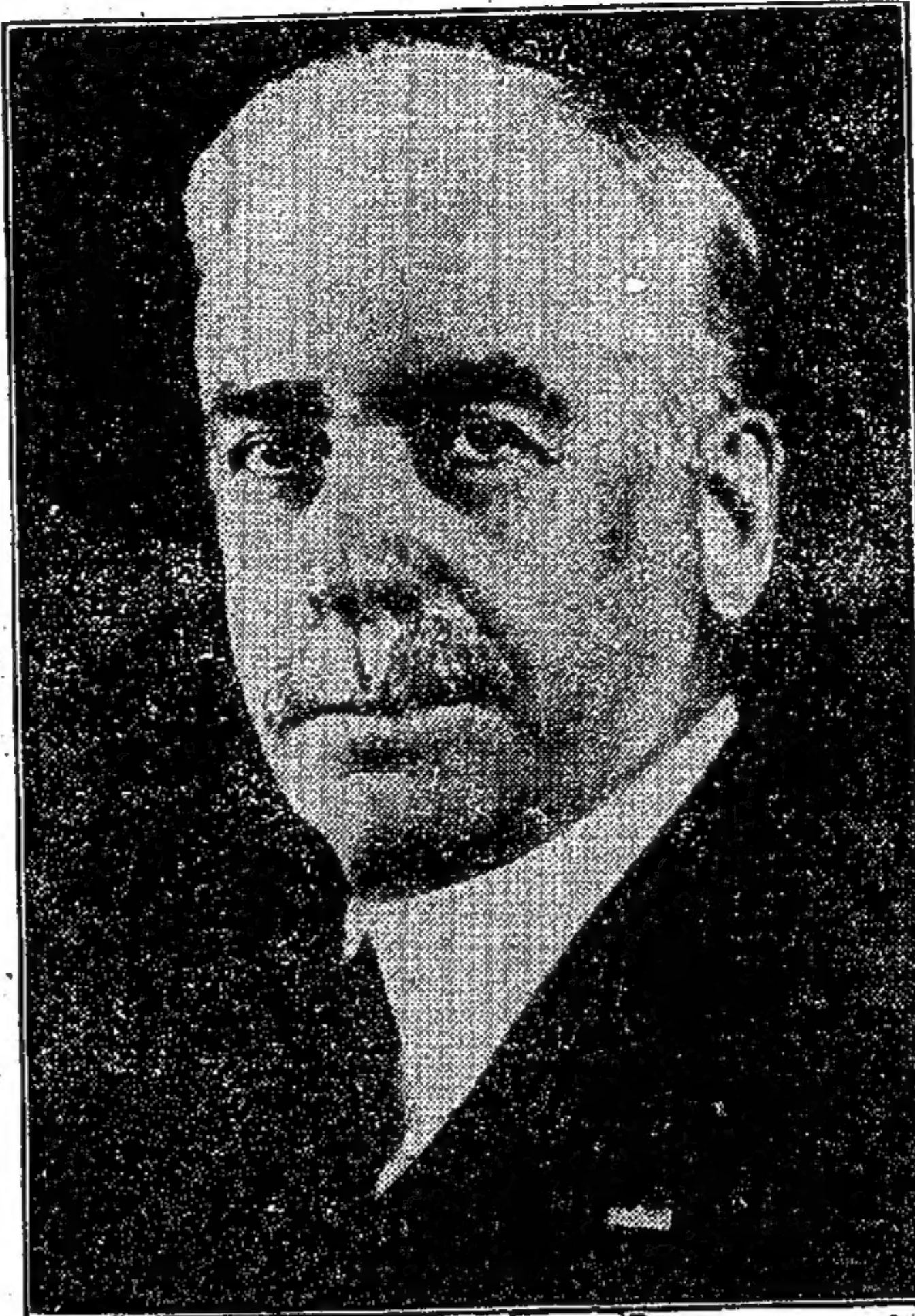
William D. Mitchell, former Assistant Attorney General, who is the new Attorney General in President Hoover's Cabinet.

Police Chief Charged



Chief of Police Leslie Gatlin, above, of Douglas, Arizona, with four others is being held in \$5,000 bond by U.S. Commissioner H. C. Buemler on charge of conspiring to export arms and munitions of war into the Republic of Mexico.

New Secretary of War



James W. Good, who was campaign manager for Mr. Hoover in the West, who has been appointed Secretary of War.

Royal Bridal Party



It is not very often that one sees such a consistently good-looking wedding party as that which joined Norway and Sweden recently. In the centre (left) is Crown Prince Olaf of Norway with his bride, the Princess Martha of Sweden, both notoriously attractive. Standing next to him is the Duke of York, who was best man. The bevy of beautiful girls surrounding the bridal couple were attendants to the Princess and the cute kiddies (seated) who acted as train-bearers, are Princess Fleming and Prince George of Denmark.

Spanish-Roumanian Alliance



Since the visit of Queen Mary of Roumania, Europe's best royal matchmaker, to Spain, rumours have been given impetus that Princess Ileana of Roumania, left, and Prince Asturias of Spain, right, may wed.



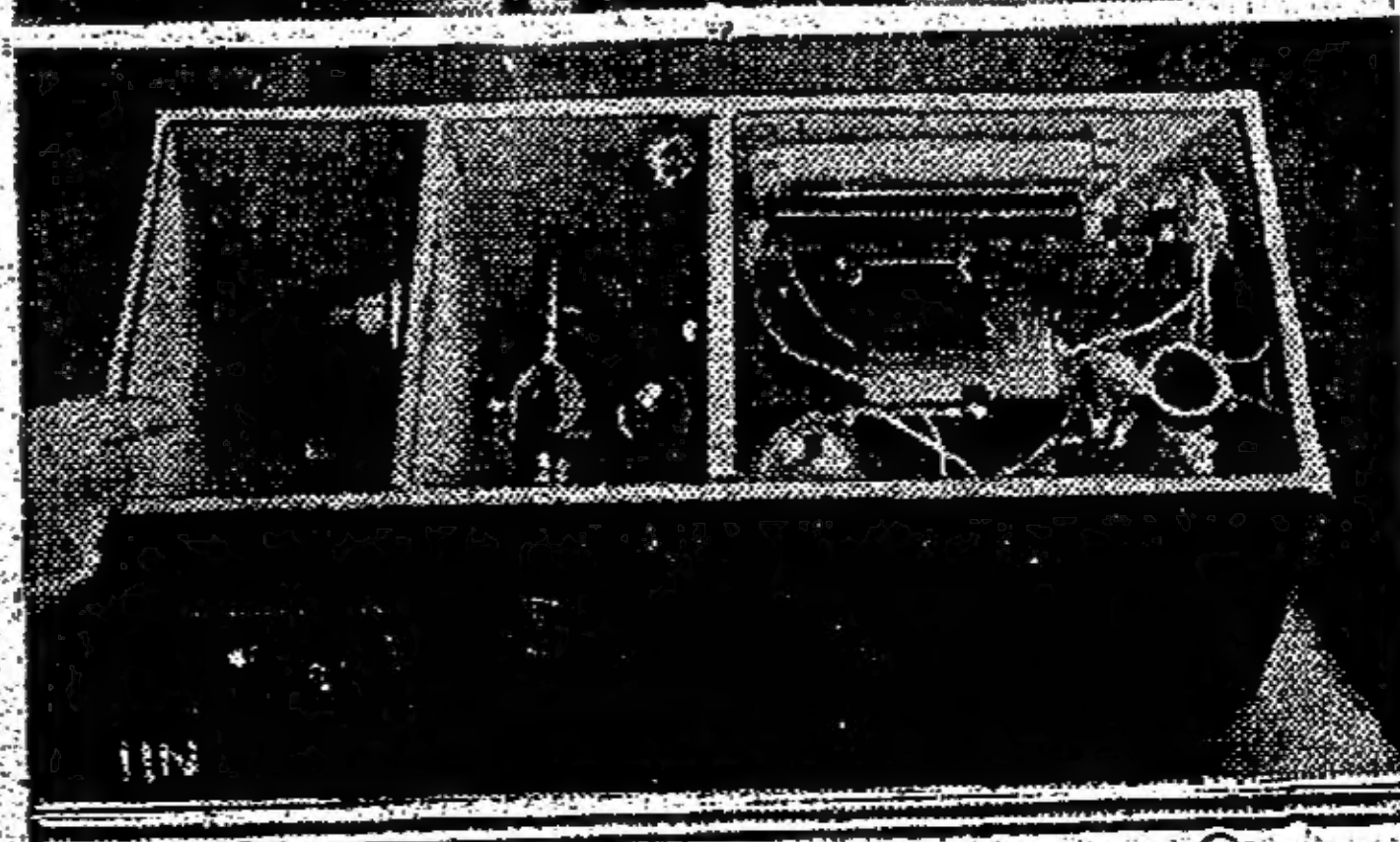
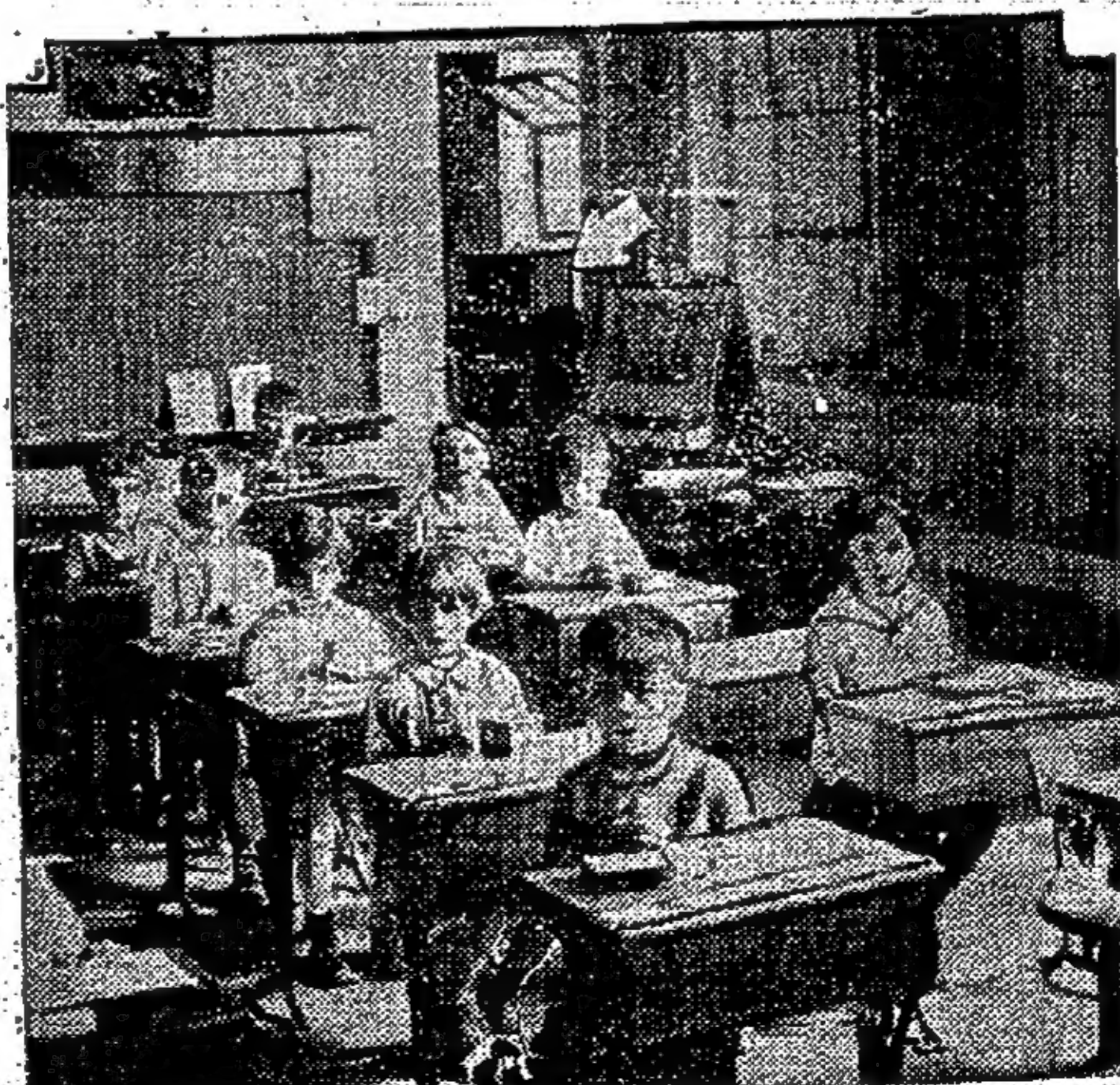
While they did not exactly elope, Curt A. Horrmann, wealthy young brewer and heir to share of \$15,000,000 estate, and Laura Wilkinson, erstwhile Police girl, did not tell anybody about their wedding plans.

Mask Lifted



"Colonel Barker," or, as she really is, Mrs. Lillian V. Smith, is the champion masquerader of England, even to marrying another woman. Here she (or he) is when making a name in English boxing circles. She collapsed, woman-like, in Court when charged with perjury.

School Lights



Arrow in the rear points to the magic box, close-up of which is shown below, which turns the lights on and off as the daylight outside dims or brightens, thus making it unnecessary for the teacher to worry about light regulations for her charges' eyes.

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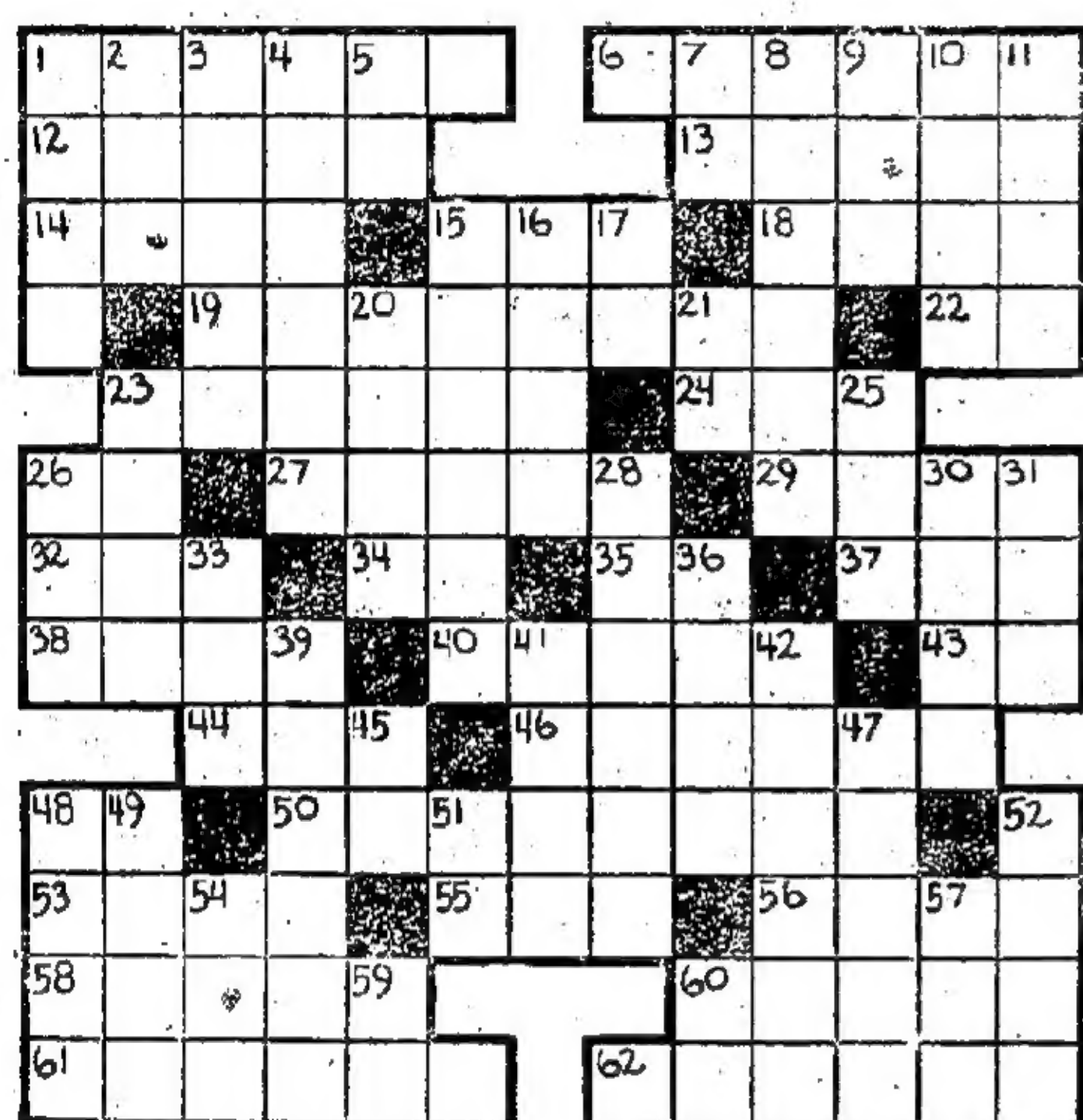
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COMING TO THE

QUEEN'S SUNDAY AND
MONDAY

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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- HORIZONTAL.**
- 1-Vaporizes
 - 2-Bodies
 - 3-Cut in two
 - 4-Go
 - 5-Musical instrument
 - 6-Be ill
 - 7-Pitcher
 - 8-Go forward
 - 9-Musical note
 - 10-Leave
 - 11-Propeller
 - 12-Jumbled type
 - 13-Winter conveyances
 - 14-Red
 - 15-Employ
 - 16-You
 - 17-Toward the top
 - 18-To the right (driving term)
 - 19-Egg
 - 20-Defies
 - 21-Printer's measure
 - 22-Bass
 - 23-Paused
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
- 24-Exist
 - 25-Tried again
 - 26-Uncommon
 - 27-Cereal
 - 28-Climbing plant
 - 29-Waste
 - 30-Metric measure of length
 - 31-Breed of dog
 - 32-Washed
- VERTICAL.**
- 1-Exhibit
 - 2-A flap
 - 3-Run away
 - 4-Avoids
 - 5-Pronoun
 - 6-Man's name (short)
 - 7-Vacillating
 - 8-Perceived
 - 9-Always
 - 10-To wither
 - 11-Colicoided
 - 12-Angered
 - 13-The (French)
- VERTICAL (Cont.)**
- 20-Greasy
 - 21-Thus
 - 22-Ascend
 - 23-Waste cloth
 - 24-Secretion from
 - 25-Inflamed tissue
 - 26-Most certain
 - 27-Require
 - 28-Leir
 - 29-Addition to a house
 - 30-Dense woods
 - 31-Extent
 - 32-Man's name
 - 33-Us
 - 34-Prepares for publication
 - 35-Sciences
 - 36-Female horse
 - 37-Toward
 - 38-Group of buffalo
 - 39-Rodent
 - 40-Formerly
 - 41-Pronoun
 - 42-Musical note

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will give you a clue to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

"STANDARDISATION"

HEAD MASTER'S VIEW OF
MODERN EDUCATION

EDUCATIONAL SCIENCE

The growth of bureaucracy in public life, and particularly in the administration of education, was commented upon by Mr. C. B. Dodd in his presidential address to the annual conference of the National Association of Schoolmasters at Leicester.

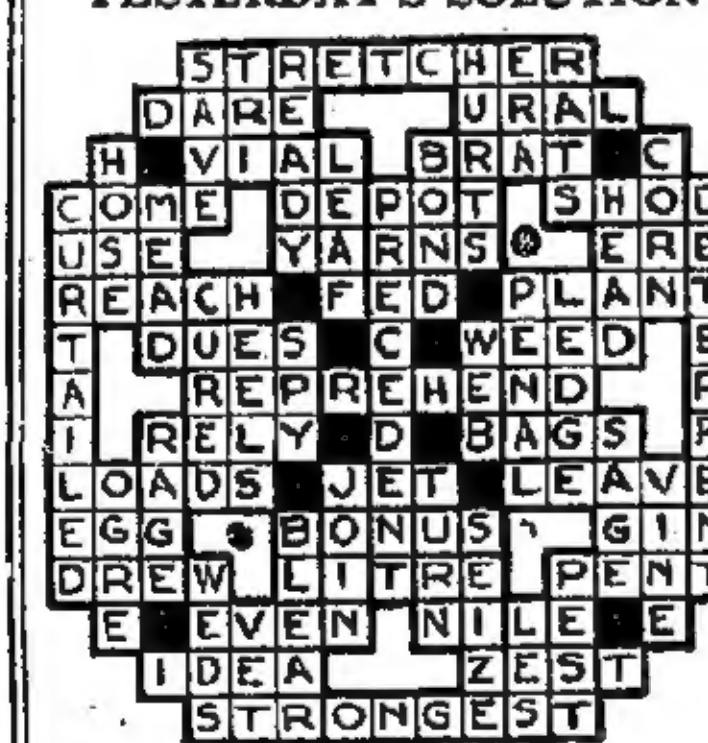
This new class of public administrators was quite different from that made up of the many enthusiastic workers under the old School Boards, with their direct personal touch.

"In some ways," he said, "it is for the good of both teachers and scholars, but I am still of the opinion that three-quarters of the ultimate success of education depends upon the person who comes into actual contact with the child. Administration and organization endeavour to reduce the problems of education to a scientific basis. Educational science is becoming too academic in its terms.

"Possibly the root-cause of the trouble is that education is to-day suffering from an incubus which is settling down on so many crafts and professions—the demand for mass production. Organisation is necessary for any complicated enterprise, but standardised instruction is a poor substitute for education.

"Schools do not deal with baker's dough or potter's clay, nor with dehumanised units of child-life, but with the individual child. This association can have no part or lot in the production of standardised children."

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



THE "OLD VIC"

THE MANAGER TELLS A FEW
TALES

"IN THE BAD OLD DAYS"

Miss Lilian Baylis, the manager of the "Old Vic," tells the following stories in an interview in the "World To-Day":

In the bad old days, a little over thirty years ago, an altogether rougher type of artist had to be dealt with. "The very first opera I remember here," she told Arnold Gyde, her interviewer, "was 'Fra Diavolo,' and one of the robbers-turned-out-to-be-even-fiercer in real life than he was on the stage, for his one idea was to hit the conductor (this was before Mr. Corri's time), and he had to be restrained by force. You can imagine what troubles we had of that kind! One of the tenors, who played the roles of the dashing lovers, had got so badly that he used to hobble on to the stage with a stick. "But that is all over now, and our difficulties with artists in these days only concern last minute changes owing to sickness, and so forth. For we cannot afford to engage artists exclusively for the season, liable and ready to be called upon to play certain roles at a moment's notice. I have to keep the names and addresses of all likely opera singers in my head, with the roles they play, so that I can get hold of them in case of accident. The nearest shave we ever had was when the baritone got hurt in the first act of Balfe's 'Bohemian Girl.' I knew there was a good baritone 'in front' that night, so I went and fetched him. He knew the music, but had never actually learned the role. But I took him round to the back and convinced him that he had got to go on. Then we began to teach him the part, and get his costume out for him. I suppose I got so excited that I began to dress him myself, for I well remember the 'dresser' running in and shouting: 'Here, Miss Baylis, that's my job!'"



Billie Dove

SUPERB FLAUTIST

SUPERLATIVE TECHNICAL
GIFTS

A Vancouver paper writes of John Amadio, the eminent flautist, who, with Florence Austral, the soprano, recently performed before the Governor-General of Canada and Lady Willingdon:

As regards the contributions of Mr. Amadio, it can be said he fully shared the honours of the evening. Revealing himself as a flautist of superlative technical gifts and musicianship of superior order, this artist's performance would have been difficult to surpass. He began with the final movement from Mozart's flute "Concerto in D," followed by Krantz' "Reverie" and Frank Bridge's "Moto Perpetuo." Glittering technique, beauty of phrasing, stylistic taste and unflinching rhythmic sense were never for a moment neglected. As an encore he gave one of Chopin's familiar waltzes, and how beautifully it was interpreted!

In Debussy's charming "The Flute of Pan" (played off-stage) and Edward German's "Elfin Revel," Mr. Amadio again had his listeners at his feet. Two extras followed—an arrangement of the "Carnival of Venice" and the first movement from Bach's "Sonata No. 5." How good it was to hear the fine music of the grand old Bach so expressively and reverently treated!

A schoolboy and a young girl at Seesen, in the Harz, after binding themselves together with wire, lay on the railway line and were killed by a train.

JUNE'S WEDDING

FAMOUS ACTRESS MARRIED TO
LORD INVERCLYDE

CHORUS FRIENDS PRESENT

Cheered by many of her old chorus friends, Miss June Howard Tripp, the well-known actress, married Lord Inverclyde recently at a London church. Her blind brother played a voluntary of his own composition.

[Miss June Howard Tripp, better known to devotees of the theatre as June, was born 28 years ago, the daughter of Mr. W. H. Tripp, an actor. Lord Inverclyde proposed to her in New York a few months ago. His Lordship, who is 32, married Miss Olive Sainsbury in 1926, but divorced her in Edinburgh last November.]



JOHN GILBERT in "THE COSSACKS"

A GREAT SOPRANO

"NO FINER SINGER IN THE
WORLD"

A Toronto paper to hand by the last Canadian mail says:

Three years ago Florence Austral, who sings here on Thursday night, first sang in Toronto, and every year since she has given a concert there at Massey Hall. "Toronto, in fact, is quite mad over her," declares a prominent member of the Women's Musical Club of Vancouver. "And no wonder," she adds, "for surely there is no finer singer in all the world to-day than Florence Austral. She is often referred to as Melba's successor, but Melba's voice never had the depth and warmth that Austral's has."

There is no more enthusiastic admirer of Austral's voice than Hector Charlesworth, the dean of Canadian music critics, whom the Women's Canadian Club of Vancouver honoured a few months ago, while he was a visitor here.

Describing his first impression of Austral's singing, Mr. Charlesworth wrote:

"No one could help being impressed with the magnificence and power of her soprano voice. With her great height, youth and beauty, she at once recalls Maurier's Trilby, the magic singer whose sorrows have won the tears of two generations of novel readers. Hers is a voice thrilling in volume and brilliance. Capable of flooding the largest auditorium with tone in forte passages, Mme. Austral is nevertheless at her very best in the wooing and tender quality of her mezzo voce singing."

"Her voice is so adaptable that heavy Wagnerian excerpts and the old-fashioned floridities of numbers like 'Charming Bird' from David's Pearl of Brazil, are all in the night's work for her. The abandon with which she sang Brunhilde's Battle Cry from 'Die Walkure' set the nerves tingling."

"Among her very best offerings were three songs by Richard Strauss. Mme. Austral is one of the few concert singers with the requisite power to sing these songs with ease, and the rich, glowing quality of her intonation was ravishing."



Norman Kerry

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POLA NEGRI

PRINCESS FILM STAR ABANDONS
HER ROLE

PAYS INDEMNITY

Pola Negri's temperament, according to Paris-Midi, is responsible for a broken contract and a quest by the producer of a forthcoming French film for a new star. The well-known film actress, who is the wife of Prince Paul Serge Medviani, was engaged to play the principal part in "The Queen's Necklace."

M. Gaston Ravel, the producer, said that it was impossible to work with her. "I had an appointment with her at the costumier's the other day for 9.30 a.m.," he declared. "After two telephone messages she kept us waiting till 5 o'clock."

"A few days later we waited in vain for her at the studio, and when I remonstrated she said she would attend the studio only when it suited her."

M. Ravel added that she demanded a bathroom and a suite of rooms adjoining the studio, an understudy to take her place while the arc lamps were being adjusted, and 30 screens to be placed in such a way that she would be hidden from the view of other people in the studio while the films were being shot.

Pola Negri made no objection when the producer intimated his intention of annulling her contract, and she even paid \$1,600 indemnity.



Alice White

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Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for May (Standard time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich), are as follows:

May	Sunrise	Sunset
17	5.42 a.m.	6.56 p.m.
18	5.42	6.57
19	5.42	6.57
20	5.41	6.58
21	5.41	6.59
22	5.41	6.59
23	5.40	7.00
24	5.40	7.00
25	5.40	7.01

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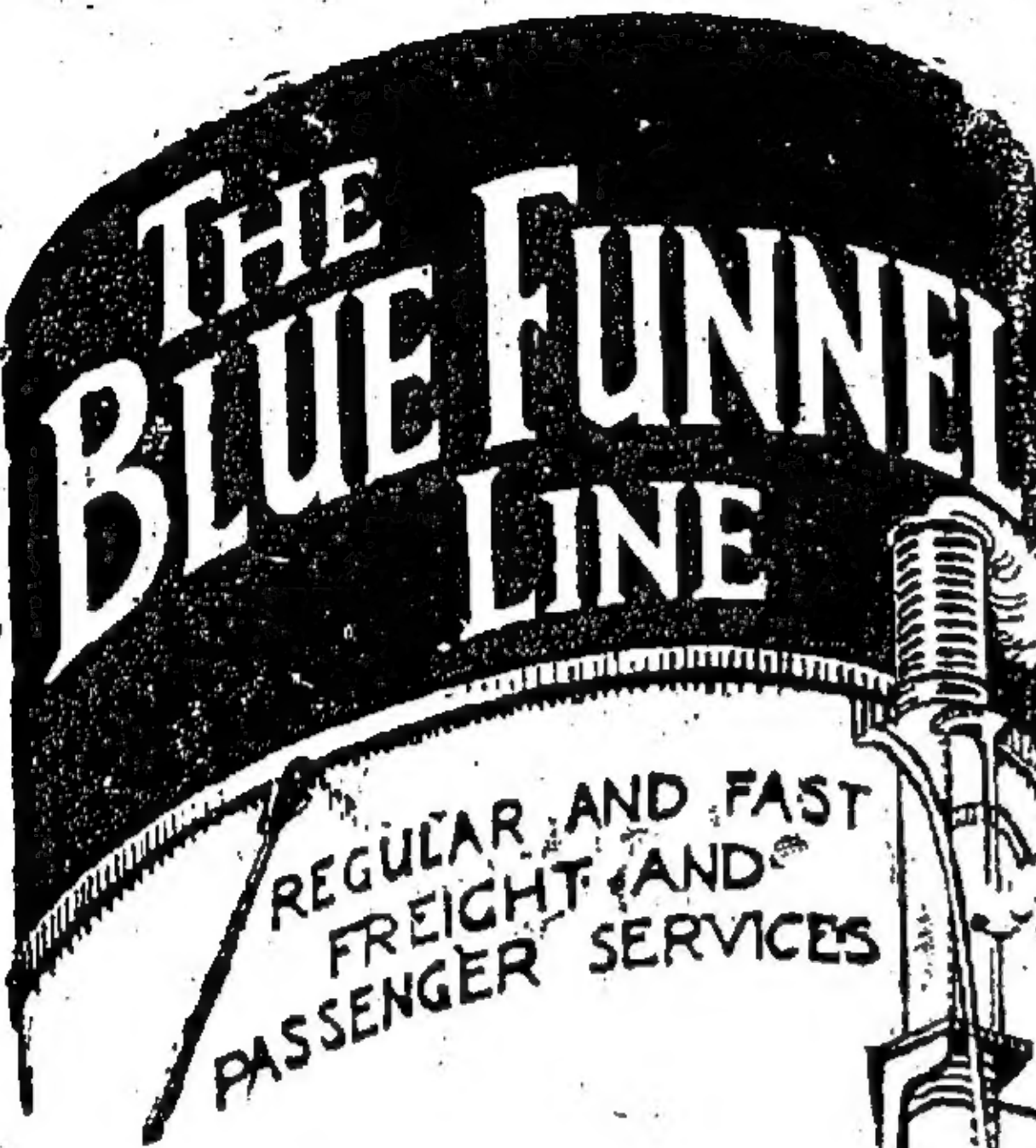
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Individuals and firms are recommended to register their telegraphic addresses at the Radio Office. No charge is made for this.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per
Shanghai and Swatow	SATURDAY, MAY 18.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Hayes
Manila	SUNDAY, MAY 19.
Europe via Negapatnam (Letters and papers, London, 18th April)	President McKinley
Medon	MONDAY, MAY 20.
Straits and London (Parcels, 11th April)	Tydeus
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Taiyo Maru
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Jefferson
TUESDAY, MAY 21.	
Japan	Kaga Maru
Japan and Shanghai	D'Artagnan
FRIDAY, MAY 24.	
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	President Grant
Japan and Shanghai	Morea
SUNDAY, MAY 26.	
Straits	Hakone Maru
MONDAY, MAY 27.	
Manila	President Jefferson
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Empress of France

OUTWARD MAILS.

Per	FRIDAY, MAY 17.
Port Bayard, Hotham & Haiphong	New Mathilde 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	
Kamo Maru (Due Marseilles, 17th June.)	
K.P.O.	
Registration May 17, 4.30 p.m.	
Letters	May 18, 9 a.m.
G.P.O.	
Registration May 18, 8.45 a.m.	
Letters	May 18, 9.30 a.m.
SATURDAY, MAY 18.	
Amoy	Tisalak 10.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Hosang 11.15 a.m.
Parcels	May 18, Noon
Letters	May 18, 1 p.m.
Ninghai	5 p.m.
King Yuan	5 p.m.
President Hayes	5 p.m.
SUNDAY, MAY 19.	
Yingchow	9 a.m.
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	Hozan Maru 9 a.m.
Swatow and Bangkok	Kwangchow 9 a.m.
MONDAY, MAY 20.	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia	
President McKinley (Due San Francisco, 12th June.)	
Parcels	May 20, 11 a.m.
Registration	May 20, 11.15 a.m.
Letters	May 20, Noon
Hydrangea	2.30 p.m.
Swatow	

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

SHANGHAI COURT

CHINESE MINISTER'S FRANK ADMISSION

POSITION ANOMALOUS

Nanking, Yesterday.
The Foreign Minister's identical Notes to Britain, United States, France, Netherlands, Norway, and Brazil on the question of the Provisional Court at Shanghai, read as follows:

"With reference to the former Mixed Court established in the International Settlement at Shanghai, the former Ministry of Foreign Affairs had repeatedly protested to the Ministers of the interested Powers and demanded its rendition. In 1920 delegates were appointed by both sides to discuss the question but failed to arrive at any proper satisfactory agreement."

"Although since, a change has been made in the judicial machinery of the said Settlement, it is impossible to gainsay the fact that the position of the new Court is still anomalous and its system remains confusing, being different from that in the whole country. Inconveniences arising therefrom have caused much complaint and dissatisfaction on the part of the people."

"In view of the increasingly cordial relationship happily subsisting between China and the foreign Powers, it is necessary and opportune to exert every effort to bring about a change compatible with the needs of the present time."

"I have the honour therefore to propose to your Excellency with regard to the above-mentioned judicial organ to open negotiations in all sincerity and promptly make satisfactory arrangements so that the integrity of China's judicial power may be maintained and international goodwill increased. I am also communicating to the Ministers of other interested Powers on the same subject and shall be glad if your Excellency will kindly favour me with a reply."
—Chong Ting-wang.

BANDITS BAULKED

MISSIONARY RELEASED WITHOUT RANSOM

STORY OF TORTURE

Peking, Yesterday.
Rev. Harry Schwendener, who was carried off by bandits to Szechuan with the Rev. Edgar Truax, both belonging to the Christian and Missionary Alliance, were bound, tortured and confined in a cave. A ransom of \$25,000 was demanded. The Rev. Edgar Truax was released on March 29 to get the ransom for the Rev. Harry Schwendener, who was eventually released on May 13 without the ransom having been paid.—Reuter.

[A telegram received on May 10 stated: A message from Hankow says that the Christian and Missionary Alliance Headquarters have received a telegram from the Rev. Edgar Truax from Sungiao, Nanking, stating that the Rev. Harry Schwendener has been captured and carried off by brigands near Sungiao. The local officials are taking steps to effect his release. The Rev. E. Truax is hopeful that this will be successful. The U.S. Legation has made representations to Nanking in connection with the matter.]

A Government bill has been introduced in the Ontario Legislative Assembly providing for a vote of \$500,000 for a research foundation.

After the England and France match, Periton announced his retirement from International Rugby.

MILITARY SPECTACLE IN LONDON

GUARDS ON PARADE

GRENADIERS EXERCISE AN ANCIENT PRIVILEGE
IMPRESSIVE SCENES

London, Yesterday.
The Grenadier Guards, on the Horse Guards Parade, were inspected by the Duke of York this morning.

All three battalions of Grenadiers were on parade, one battalion came from the Tower of London and the other battalions from Chelsea Barracks and Epsom Barracks.

The Duke of Connaught, wearing the uniform of the Grenadiers, of whom he had been Colonel for 25 years, arrived along with the Prince of Wales, who was in the uniform of the Welch Guards.

In the window of the archway sat the Duke and Duchess of York, Prince Arthur of Connaught and the Princess Royal.

Two hundred policemen, who had worn the uniform of the regiment, stood drawn upon the Duke's left, their blue uniforms contrasting vividly with the scarlet of the soldiers.

On the Duke's right were drawn up lines of civilians, who had been in the Grenadiers.

The Duke rode along the ranks inspecting the battalions, who marched in column of companies past the saluting base.

The Duke of Connaught took the salute once more at the gateway of Clarence House, his home, while the band played.

Half-an-hour later the first battalion were marching back through the city to the Tower of London. They exercised their ancient privilege of marching through the city with fixed bayonets; and from the balcony of the Mansion House the Lord-Mayor took their salute.—British Wireless Service.

BEWARE OF MEN!

WOMAN ADVISES HER NIECES IN A WILL

SPINSTER'S ADVICE

"Any niece of mine, who received any money from my estate, shall only do so by consenting that such money shall absolutely belong to her alone, and shall never be invested in any business conducted, managed, or in any way connected with either a husband, son or brother."

This is an extract from the will of Miss Martha Harriett Jessop, of Crowborough (Sussex), who died in January last.

She left the bulk of her estate, valued at £22,327, to her ten nephews and nieces.

Another sentence in the will read:—"Government stocks are the safest investment for women."

At the invitation of the Earl of Derby, Mme. G. Camerlynck-Guarnier, widow of M. G. H. Camerlynck, who was honorary secretary of the Association France-Grande Bretagne, has been co-opted to the Council of the United Association of Great Britain and France.

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IMPERIAL AFFAIRS

MEETING IN LONDON IN OCTOBER

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL

London, Yesterday.

Reuter learns that the first practical step towards preparing the next Imperial Conference will be taken by summoning the representatives to meet in London in October to consider legal questions concerning the operation of Dominions legislation.

These will include the question of defining the status of the Governors-General as representatives of the King, extraterritoriality of dominion legislation, and merchant shipping.

Mr. Mackenzie King (Premier of Canada) is the only Dominion Premier likely to attend this gathering, which will be of the Inter-Departmental Committee as proposed at the last Imperial Conference.—Reuter.

JAPANESE TROOPS

WITHDRAWAL FROM WEST OF WEIHAIEN

TRANSPORT SAILS

Shanghai, Yesterday.

A message from Tsinan on May 15 stated that the Japanese withdrawal from the west of Weihaiien has been completed, while Japanese forces between Weihaiien and Tsingtao are being withdrawn steadily.

Order is being well maintained along the Shantung Railway.—Reuter.

Peking, Yesterday.

The first transport with evacuating Japanese troops from Shantung sailed on May 15.

The evacuation will be completed by May 20.—Reuter.

MR. JOHN COWAN

SUDDEN DEATH OF A TIENTSIN EDITOR

Tientsin, Yesterday.
The death has occurred of Mr. John Cowan, the Editor of the "North China Daily Mail."

While sitting in his chair after tiffin, he fell asleep, and never awoke.—Reuter.

[Mr. Cowan first came to China in 1900 on a special mission for the London "Times," in connection with the Boxer Outbreak. With his two brothers, he subsequently started a paper in Tientsin called the "China Times." The paper did not prosper and Mr. John Cowan returned to London, but some years later returned to take charge of the "North China Daily Mail," a Tientsin evening paper. Deceased was probably about 70 years old.]

BUS MISHAP

TWO PERSONS INJURED IN KOWLOON

A CURIOUS MIX-UP

Three motor buses were damaged in a mishap in Nathan-road, Kowloon, yesterday. Two persons were injured—one, an Indian named Nawab Khan, being seriously injured on the head. The other injured person was a Chinese woman. Her condition is not serious.

The accident was caused through a China Motor Bus Co. vehicle stopping suddenly to pick up a passenger. Bus No. 654, belonging to the Kowloon Motor Bus Co., which was following behind, had to pull up sharply to avoid running into the leading vehicle.

Two other buses (Nos. 650 and 656) belonging to the same Company, were, however, unable to pull up in time and both crashed into the rear of bus No. 654.

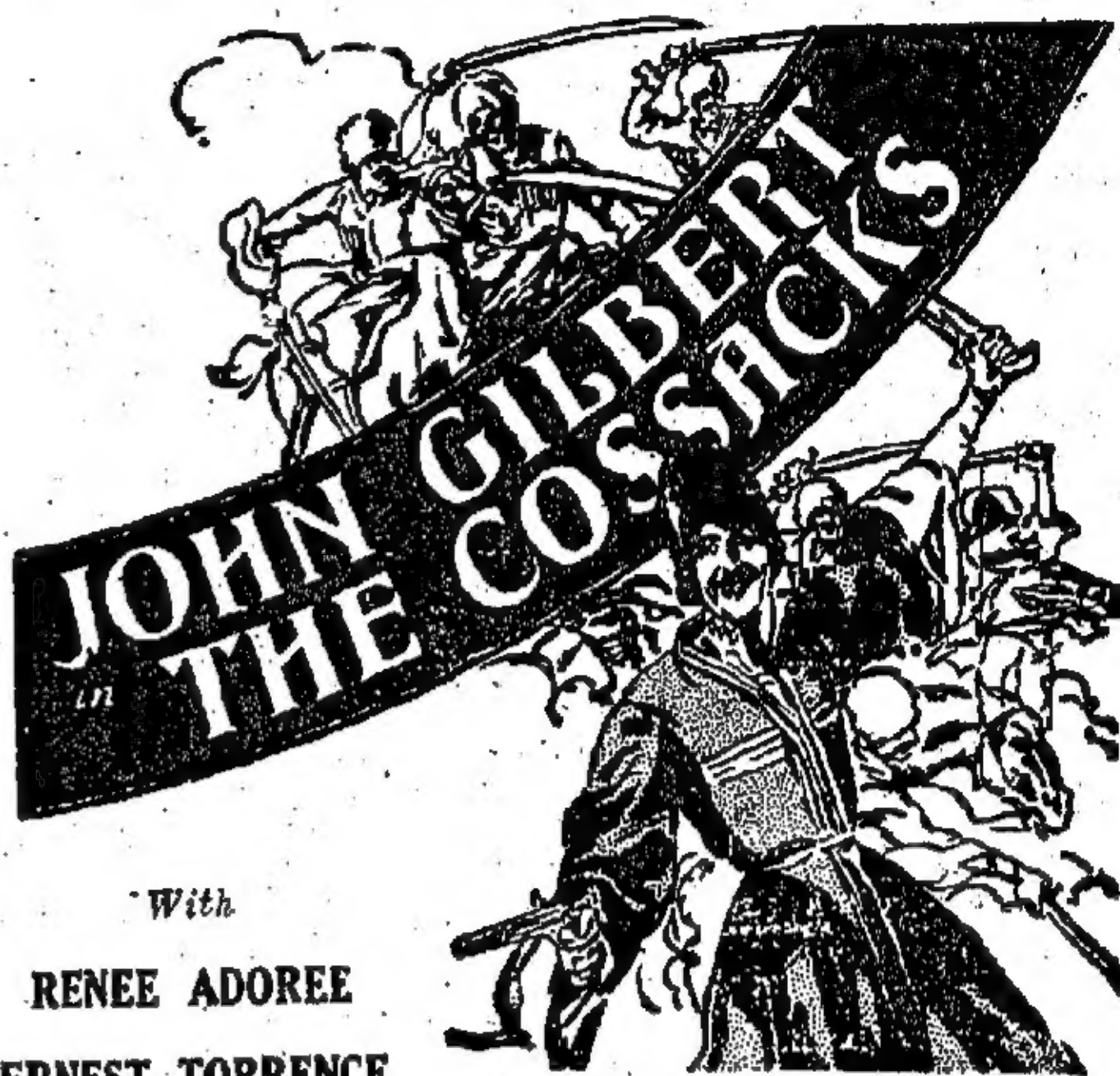
Sydney proposes to make extensive additions to its water supply to meet residential expansion at the cost of \$4,409,156.

The proprietors of the Wellington (New Zealand) "Evening Post" have presented the local Aero Club with a Moth aeroplane.

Mr. W. Blackwell, Controller, Posts and Telegraphs, Negri Sembilan and Malacca, is spending a short holiday at Fraser's Hill prior to going home on furlough. His successor, Mr. R. E. Caradine, has arrived at Seremban from Ipoh.

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